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British and US anger as Algerians let hijack gang slip to freedom | National

Hostage deal gives gunmen safe passage

● Algeria was under fire last night for allowing the deal that freed the 31 that if terrorists are allowed to escape hostages on board the Kuwaiti jumbo jet but allowed the gunmen to go free

• The Government expressed anger that the hijackers would not be brought to justice and Western airlines could halt all flights to Algiers in protest

mpunished, it will lead only to more hijacking and more hostage-taking ◆ The American Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, referred to the hijackers

From Robert Fisk, Algiers

The Kuwaitis, Algerians, of all 31 passengers and the PLO and the Libyans all collaborated on the deal that freed the hostages aboard the Kuwait Airways jumbo jet here yesterday, according to

... Safe passage to the country of their choice for the seven gunmen on board - who murdered two of their Kuwaiti captives in Cyprus last week - was promised in return for the release unharmed

Arab diplomatic sources.

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An inquiry commissioned by the Government into sport in state schools reports anxiety that the new national curricuhim will restrict the amount of physical education in teaching time Page 46

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as murderers and said letting them go free violated international standards

In fact, the hijackers were smuggled off the plane at Algiers airport early yesterday, even before the hostages were allowed to leave. The gunmen were driven from the plane one at a time by Algerian officials and are believed -

Monday of fear Gunnen's pledge... 16-day ordeal. Leading article...

despite a statement to the contrary by the Algerians - to have left the country shortly afterwards aboard an Algerian Antonov military aircraft.

They are thought to have travelled first to Libya before continuing their journey, they have asked to go to Iran or Lebanon; sources here say that they will probably travel to west Beirut via Damascus once they have left Libya.

The deal for the hijackers' freedom in return for the passengers was struck at a face-to-face meeting between the gunmen and the Algerian Foreign Minister Mr Ahmed Taleb Ibrahimi when he boarded the hijack plane at the weekend immediately after arriving by air from a personal meeting in Tripoli with Colo-nel Gadaffi of Libya.

An authoritative Kuwaiti source here said that the Emir of Kuwaii had knowingly and willingly agreed to the arrangements for the hijackers' freedom in return for the release of the remaining pasengers and aircraft crew. In Kuwait's view, its refusals to concede to the gunmen's de-mands to free 17 prisoners belonging to the Islamic Jihad movement means that Kuwait has slood firm against the hijackers' blackmail. Kuwaii regards the deal for the gunmen's freedom as being a private Algerian arrangement. even though this is not how it will be seen outside the Arah

Freedom for the hijackers

was an essential part of the formula drawn up by Palestine Liberation Organization officials, when the Kuwaiti airliner was at Larnaca last week. Mr Yassir Arafat, the PLO chairman who has little love for the gunmen's cause but who sorely needs Kuwait's political support - gave his personal imprimatur to the agreement, on condition that the 31 remaining passengers were left unharmed and freed in Al-

The release of the hostages at dawn yesterday was preceded hy a piece of carefully rehearsed theatre in which both the Algerian authorities and the hijackers co-operated to fool watching journalists as to the fate of the gunmen. A late-night statement from the hijackers - announcing that they would make a gift to "the Kuwaiti people" - appears to have been a tape recording designed to give the impression that the gunmen were still negotiating with control tower officials at Algiers

Just before 4am, at least one passenger saw the hijackers moving towards an exit door on the aircraft and a few minutes later - with the terminal lights switched off correspondents at the airport could just see groups of Algerian policemen around the plane, It was the hijacker's police escort arriving to take

Western diplomats here in Algiers were astonished yesterday at the turn of events, as well they might be. For several days, the American and other Western embassies, apparauthorize the Chancellor to ently intoxicated by their own dip into his £3.5 hillion view of Arah "steadfastness" against the hijackers, had briefed foreign correspon-dents — with much confidence hut total inaccuracy - along the line that the hijacking could continue for many more days. For their part, the Algerians regard yesterday's events as a humanitarian vic-

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Whitehall hints at **Algiers sanctions**

By Andrew McEwen and Robin Oakley

Airways hijackers may go free. strong hints were given yesterday that international action against Algeria will be considered.

All flights to Algeria by the world's seven most powerful Western nations could be stopped if Algiers failed to prosecute them, sources said.

The talk reflected the Government's anger and frustra-tion over the Algerian authorities' reluctance to reveal the terms of a deal with the hijackers. Meanwhile, the Kuwaiti Government is under-stood to have told Britain that the deal was between Algiers and the hijackers, and that it does not have all the details.

In Algiers, official sources said that the gunmen involved in the hijack slipped out of the rear door of the Kuwait

Amid British Government an-ger over fears that the Kuwait 31 bostages were freed.

Western diplomatic sources said that several of the seven Western nations, including Britain, gave Algeria what amounted to a warning before the deal was concluded. They drew Algiers' atten-

tion to a declaration on hijacking made by the US, the UK, Japan, Canada, West Germany, France and Italy at Bonn in July, 1978. It said:

Where a country refuses the ... prosecution of those who have hijacked an aircraft ... the (Summit Seven) Governments shall take immediate action to cease all flights to that country ... (and) will initiate action to halt all incoming flights from that country.

Whitehall sources said that the Government would seek discussions among the seven,

those already seen on health. Government must be gencharges and the poll tax. Pay awards to nurses have on occasion in the past been

Walking to freedom: Smiling but exhausted, hostages leave the hijacked Kuwait Airways jet at Algiers airport yesterday

per cent, twice that on offer to other public sector workers. generous award this year, together with its funding from Conservative MPs are con fident that Ministers will also the contingency reserve. Since contingency reserve to the tune of some £500 million in order to fund the pay increases

without straining health authority budgets. There is widespread acceptance among senior Ministers that any other course would be political folly at this time and would lead to a backbench rebellion which would dwarf

By Robin Oakley Political Editor

The Cabinet is expected this

morning to award Britain's

500,000 nurses a pay rise of 12

held up or implemented only in part. But Ministers concede the political imperative of a

No trespassing... the nurses were given a 9.5 per cent award last year with an election looming, funded all hut for £30 million, there would be an uproar if they were to cut back this year on the independent pay review

body's recommendation. Many MPs have made it clear to the Whips that the

erous on this point, especially after a Budget which gave tax concessions to the better off and after the Government's refusal on the poll tax to make special concessions for student nurses. Ministers at the DHSS are

also anxious to buy time for the Government to conclude its review of National Health Service operations and structure in a less fractious atmosphere.

The cash limits for the DHSS hudget for 1988-89 allow some £250 million for the pay rises for nurses and allied professions, whereas the pay review body's award would cost some £750 million. If the Government failed to

Nurses get their 12% pay rise accepting the pay award, then further hospital ward and bed closures and further medical service cuts would be

inevitable.

Along with the review the Cabinet will today consider four others covering doctors and dentists; professions allied to medicine like radiologists and physiotherapists; the Armed Services and senior civil servants, and judges and other "top people". All are due to be published with the Government's conclusions this afternoon unless there are last-minute

problems in the Cabinet.

lottery to fund hospitals

By Robin Oakley Political Editor

Plans to be announced today for a national lottery to support the hospital service are likely to embarrass the Gov-

Backed by the National Hospital Trust, a charitable body, and run hy the LOTO consultancy, the scheme plans to have an initial annual turnover of about £150 million with prizes of up to £200,000.

Proceeds distributed through the English health districts and Scottish hospital boards are expected to provide hospitals with about £40 million. More than five million homes are to receive promo-tional literature and the first prize draw will be conducted on television on May 25.

The dilemma for the Government is that while Mrs Thatcher and her health ministers have urged district authorities and the health service to do all they can to raise extra funds the Government has hitherto opposed the idea of a national lottery.

The law permits local authorities to run lotteries with a maximum prize of £2,000, which rises to £6,000 if they are registered with the Gaming Board. But the turnover in such lotteries has declined from £92 million some years ago to only £4 million or so today, Professional fund-raisers say that is because those who might participate in lotteries require the lure of a hig prize.

The new hospital lottery scheme plans 10 offer higger prizes by amalgamating prizes in a series of technically separate lotteries in each of more than 200 health districts.

The organizers have been advised in Whitehall that their scheme operates against the spirit of present legislation, which does not provide for a national lottery, but that it does not actually break the law. Legislation would be required to stop what they are planning. And that is where the problem for the Government comes in.

The Home Office, which is responsible for gambling leg-islation, has long been op-posed to the idea

Mrs Thaicher has been approached informally about the idea and said that she found it interesting. The Department of Health and Social Security is understood to be reluctant to endorse it and Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, lukewarm.

But at a time when hospitals are crying out for funds and when the Government is urging health authorities to seek alternative sources of revenue there would be considerable political difficulty in any attempt to stamp down on the operation of the new lottery.

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Poll tax rebellion

Ridley makes concessions

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

were yesterday made in an attempt to head off another Conservative backbench revolt tonight on the community charge.

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, said he was prepared to extend the five-year transitional period for the introduction of the uniform husiness rate. The other concession is for small firms.

However, up to 20 Conservative MPs are expected to vote against the Government or to abstain, and fears are growing among the Government whips that there will be another substantial rebellion on Monday when the community charge Bill receives its third reading.

At a meeting attended by representatives of the Confederation of British Industry, the Continued on page 24, col 4 Institute of Directors and the sidize other areas which

Two significant concessions Association of British Chambers of Commerce Mr Ridley, accompanied by Mr Michael Howard, the Minister for Local Government, said he would take powers in the Local Government Finance Bill to enable the business rate transitional period to be ex-tended "if necessary."

Tonight in the Commons Mr Ridley will announce that the maximum yearly increases

Labour rebel's fate24

to be faced by small husinesses will be 5 per cent lower than that to be paid hy larger firms.

The provision in the Bill to take business rates out of the control of local authorities and to introduce a national, government-set rate will mean that the thrifty Conservative authorities, with lower husiness rates, may have to sub-

previously had higher business rates.

This has infuriated many Conservative MPs, particu larly in the South-east. Businesses in many areas face massive rises.

To mitigate the effects Mr Ridley had already agreed to set an annual certing on increases during the transitional period. Until the current husiness revaluation, which takes effect in 1990, is completed, Mr Ridley is not in a position to say what that annual figure will be, government sources said yesterday.

Mr Ridley's concessions will assuage some Conservative MPs but the whips were last night still expecting a sizeable revolt. They also expect the number voting against the Government after Monday's third reading de-bate to be higher than the 17 who opposed the second reading last December.

Mr Gorbachov (every reader I have

asked has immediately identified their

leader as Mr Ligachov) were trying to

Mr Gorbachov has pledged that the Moscow conference at the end of June.

will discuss "far-reaching restructur-

ing of the political superstructure", and it is no secret that he hopes to remove dead wood from the party's

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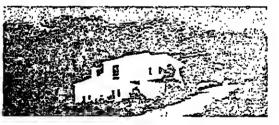
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Gorbachov fighting his toughest power battle prompted by the April 5 article in which Pravda warned that enemies of

From Christopher Walker

Mr Mikhail Gorbachov is locked in the most serious power struggle since he took over as Soviet leader to 1985, and the ramifications are threatening to overshadow the Moscow summit due to open at the end of May.

According to both diplomatic and Soviet sources, the struggle centres on Mr Gorbachov and his faithful lieutenant, Mr Aleksandr Yakovlev, the shrewd Kremlin propaganda chief and leading reformer, who are pitted against conservatives, led by Mr Yegor Ligachov, the Kremlin number two, and General Viktor Chebrikov, aged 64, the KGB chief.

Despite today's opening of presummit negotiations between the steady stream of revelations about the

Soviet and American foreign min-isters. Moscow's rumour mill is obsessed with the domestic battle for the future of the reform drive, and the prospect that it may provoke personnel changes before or after the June All-Union party conference, the first of its kind since 1941.

The first key hint of the severity of the rift came earlier this month when Sovetskaya Rossiya, a popular official daily, was savaged by Pravda for publishing an anti-reformist, pro-Stalinist diatribe - inspired, if not

actually written, by Ligachov aides. In the wake of Pravda's broadside on April 5 - reprinted in an extraordinary forced public humiliation by Sovetskaya Rossiya - a Stalin era have begun to appear, at the same time as articles linking admirers of the dictator with opposition to the current reforms. A decision on Tuesday night by Mr

Viktor Karpov, the head of the influential Soviet Writers' Union, to appear on the main television news explaining why his organization had not signed a joint pro-reform letter printed in *Pravda* on Monday, from the other cultural unions, was seen as a sign that the anti-conservative faction was in the ascendant.

Mr Karpov, regarded as a conservative, was anxious to convince viewers that his 10,000-strong union was just as reformist as the others but had wanted to express its views in a separate letter published in Pravda.

The letters from the unions were all in the end be doomed."

improvement in the availability of basic goods and food, perestroika may

already pointed out, without a drastic

Church launches inner city fund

The Church of England could help to achieve "miracles for morale and local pride" in urban priority areas through its new Church Urban Fund, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, said at a service to mark the fund's launch in Westminster Ahbey yesterday.

The service, attended by Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, and Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Trade and Industry, included a ceremony of dedication.

Dr Runcie said in his sermon that he intended to give a firm lead to the Church Urban Fund, which initially proposes to collect £18 million.

The present state of the inner cities was the responsibility of the whole community, and "it was no use blaming the

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Criticism over liner

Mr Tom King, the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland. was yesterday criticized for being only "lukewarm" about the prospects of a Belfast shipbuilding yard winning a contract to build the world's largest cruise liner. Mr Peter Robinson, MP for East Belfast, said efforts were already being made to have the ship huilt in France or Japan. Mr Robinson said: "I would have thought the Government would have been jumping up in ecstasy". On Tuesday Mr King dismissed as "premature" questions on the government's likely attitude towards subsidizing the project.

Student loans backed

Powerful support for the idea of supplementing student grants with loans came yesterday from the Council for Industry and Higher Education, an independent body whose members include the vice-chancellors of London, Manchester and Leeds universities. It said the present method of student support was expensive and inadequate and dissauded clever children from poorer families from entering higher education. It called for a flexible loan scheme which made borrowers' liability to repay partly dependent on the size of their subsequent salaries.

Nunn chess triumph

John Nunn, the British chess grandmaster, beat L Winants of Belgium on Tuesday to move closer to the lead after the fifteenth round of the \$100,000 Swift World Cup tournament in Brussels. Nunn has 81/2 points from a possible 13 with one game adjourned which, if drawn, could put him

within half a point of Anatoly Karpov, the leader.

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B Salov (USSR: G Sax (Hungary) drew with A Karpov (USSR).

Call for legal brothels

A Scotland Yard plan to legalize brothels in London is to be debated by local councils. Supt tain Donaldson, head of the Vice Squad, wants the authorities to be allowed to licence and supervise brothels. A report is to be presented at a meeting of the Association of London Authorities in June. Mr Donaldson said: "We are putting this up as a subject for discussion to see how people will react". Several Labour councils oppose the plan, saying it would be an administrative nightmare. Southwark says funds would be better spent on advice centres for prostitutes.

Female condom test

The Family Planning Association is seeking further tests on the first condom for women, which is due to be launched by the end of the year. The association said yesterday it was concerned that the device, which will be marketed under the name, Femshield, would be available before full clinical and consumer tests were completed. "It is not possible, at this stage, to predict likely usage or possible value of the new device", a spokeswoman said. Just over half of women surveyed at a London clinic said they preferred the female con-dom and 62 per cent said they preferred it to a diaphragm.

Killer's wildlife gift

A man who murdered his wife and two children before drowning himself left £100,000 to hutterflies and wildlife in his will published yesterday. Mr Ivor Shirley, of Hampton Magna, Warwickshire, beat his wife, Diane, aged 43, his son, Paul, aged 20, and his daughter, Katherine, aged 17, to death shortly after losing his job. He then weighted his body and

Costs of unwanted RAF missile soar to £400m

By Martin Fletcher Political Reporter

A missile whose development costs have risen from a planned £250 million to well over £400 million and which will be two years late for delivery was not wanted by the RAF in the first place, MPs on the Commons defence select committee learnt yesterday.

The "sad saga" of the Alarm anti-radiation missile has further fuelled the concern of a large number of MPs over the performance of the Ministry of Defence procurement

In another instance of spiralling military costs that came to light vesterday the Government's Property Services Agency was sharply reprimanded by the Commons public accounts committee for allowing US forces to build up an outstanding debt of £31.1 million

for construction works at its British

Alarm was commissioned from British Aerospace in 1983 in preference to an existing American missile called Harm and was supposed to be ready by this year.

In evidence to the committee yesterday, Mr William Reeves, assistant under-secretary at the Ministry of Defence, asked which missile the RAF would have preferred, replied: "The RAF was very conscious that Harm offered some important advantages".

Questioned further by Mr Michael Mates, the committee chairman, he said: "I think I have given you the feel you were looking for and I would be most grateful if you would not press any further."

The decision to choose Alarm was taken by the Cabinet but it was not clear whether the Cabinet had overruled the Ministry of Defence for political reasons, or whether the ministry hierarchy had overruled the RAF and recommended Alarm

to the Cabinet. Ministry officials also disclosed that there had been practically no overseas orders for Alarm, which is a priority for RAF Tornado aircraft serving in West Germany. The ministry contract had been intended to penalize BAe if the missile was not ready on time and to cost, but the main problem lay in the sub-contracted development of the rocket motor by Royal Ordnance.

Mr Michael Moss, assistant under-secretary in the procurement executive, said: "If we had extracted the penalties [from BAe] it would immediately have sought to extract them from his sub-contractor who was, in effect, us." A fresh contract had now been drawn up which put the financial onus on BAe to make

The procurement executive, nearly half of whose £8 billion a year defence budget is consumed in unforeseen costs, has been strongly criticized for repeated fiascos.

Mr Winston Churchill, Tory MP for Davyhulme, said afterwards:
"Alarm is just one of a long list of such blunders. "One wonders whether the MoD have got the technical expertise, manpower and industrial knowledge to evaluate the manufacturers and their claims. Time and again, when they are entering negotiations they seem to have the wool pulled over their

in the highly critical report about repayment arrangements for works for the US forces, the public accounts committee noted that American military indebtedness had risen from £22.4 million in 1984 to £311 million by November 1984 to £ 1984 to £31.1 million by November

That was in spite of the introduc-tion in 1984 of a Rapid Repayment System agreed at high level, which was designed to ensure payment within seven days of the Property Service Agency presenting its bills.

Of the £31.1 million debt, undisputed bills that had been outstanding for more than six months accounted for £4.5 million. and disputed bills more than two years old accounted for £3 million. About £9 million arose from administrative failures by the agency, primarily spending more than the US authorities had authorized.

The MPs said they regretted that the Rapid Repayment System had proved so ineffective, and demanded that "much more shear ous efforts" be made to make it work. The committee demanded that the agency take the necessary action to minimize the debt as quickly as possible.

P&O ferries to return as 900 strikers sign pay deal

By John Spicer, Employment Affairs Correspondent

resume cross-Channel services next week after more than 11 weeks of its dispute with crews over working

The decision was made after more than 900 striking crew, more than half of those needed to man P&O's ferry fleet, signed the new terms and conditions at the centre of the dispute.

The company issued a statement within minutes of yesterday's 6pm deadline for employees to accept the new terms, saying it would be working out rosters to get sailings underway. Another statement will be made this morning regarding the resumption of services.

Teams of engineers and maintenance personnel were sent to Flushing, Cornwall, yesterday to begin working up the 11 ferries that have been tied up there since the start of the strike in February.

The company said: "Rostering arrangements will have to be made hut that depends on the numbers of engine room staff, stewards, deckhands and so on who have signed and who will be ready to resume

The National Union of Marine, Aviation and Shipping Transport Officers has already agreed terms with P&O and said its members will sail with accredited crews from the National Union of Seamen (NUS).

Last night, the company said that employees who had not signed the new agreement were no longer employed by the company. Yesterday had been the "crunch day" for those who had been dismissed

The ferry company P&O is to on March 15 but given until resume cross-Channel ser- 6pm to accept the terms.

Mr Graeme Dunlop, managing director of P&O European Ferries, told union leaders at Dover that there would be no more negotiations. The offer, which gives ratings an average rise of £400 a year on the Dover-Zeebrugge and Dover-Boulogne routes, would not be

The company has said it must reduce costs on its cross-Channel services by £6 million to compete with other services, particularly in regard to the Channel tunnel when it comes into operation in 1993. The NUS has argued that

the extra money only replaces overtime and bonuses already being earned by crews and is insufficient compensation for new conditions, which union leaders claim mean longer hours and fewer days off. The deal means that ratings,

depending on grade and length of service, will earn between £11,500 and £17,400 a year in addition to profit sharing. The company said that the 362 redundancies it was seeking had been met by more than 400 men and women who had resigned from the company since the strike began. The seamen's union said

that members of the Transport and General Workers' Union had agreed not to both French and Belgian unions had said they would also support the Dover strikers. However, P&O is confident that with so many NUS crew members having accepted the terms, its services should not be hampered when they are re-introduced.

Investigation of PoW massacre

Trial of SS man urged

By David Nicholson-Lord

A war crimes officer who investigated the killing of 70 British prisoners of war by SS officers near Dunkirk in 1940 said yesterday prosecutors would face a "difficult but not impossible" case against Wil-helm Mohnke, the former commander of Hitler's per-sonal bodyguard.

Major T X H "Bunny" Pantcheff gave a detailed account of the massacre at Wormhoudt, northern Fra-nce, when 8C solders were herded into a barn, had grenades lobbed into their midst and were then gunned down. About 12 survived.

He said: "The SS had been ordered to take no prisoners. They left what they thought was everybody dead. There was no effort to clear up or do anything about the bodies. They were winning a war and they thought that was all that mattered."

Details of the massacre have remained largely secret in File No WO/208/4295, marked "Closed to the year 2011", at the Public Record

Mr Jeff Rooker, Labour MP for Perry Barr, Birmingham, who is to name Herr Mohnke in the Commons, will ask the Prime Minister today to ex-plain whether there has been a cover-up.

Mr Ian Sayer, publisher of the magazine, World War II Investigator, said yesterday British war crimes investigators had built up a prima facie case against Herr Mohnke. "We want to see that justice is done."

Major Pantcheff's involvement came in the summer of 1947 when he attempted a reconstruction of events with four of the survivors. Two handle ships at Dover while the dispute was on and that were badly maimed and one was mentally scarred after being left for dead by the SS. They had spent the war years in prisoner-of-war camps.

Most of the 80 men were ghtened. It did not occur to from the A and B companies of the Royal Warwickshire Regiment, with others from the Cheshire Regiment and a



Wilhelm Mohnke, former SS officer, photographed in 1985.

few gunners from the Royal
Artillery Regiment.

Major Pantcheff said:
"They were in a state of great

vestigation unit report was presented later to the Judge Advocate General of the British Forces. However, by this shock. They were very fired and very dirty and very fed up. Nobody liked being prisoners of war. But they were not fri-

them that anything like this was going to happen at all." The British war crimes in-

time, Herr Mohnke was being held captive by the Russians. The wife of Herr Mohnke,

aged 77, said yesterday at their home at a village near Ham-hurg. "He says he did nothing wrong then, so he has nothing

Whitehall working is its own reward'

By David Walker Public Administration Correspondent

Working in Whitehall is intrinsically interesting and should compensate for pay rates below the market level, a report published yesterday, which highlighted shortfalls in recruitment to the Civil Service, says.

However, a press and poster advertising campaign to in-crease applications from blacks and Asians had been "unbelievably successful. An awful lot of coloured people are beginning to apply", Mr Dennis Trevelyan, the First Civil Service Commissioner,

Overall, 6.8 per cent of nonwhite applicants were successful, compared with a rate of II.6 per cent for whites. The difference appeared to be caused by educational preparation.

The annual report of the Civil Service Commission, which oversees fair procedures in Whitehall's intake, shows the Civil Service share of the best and brightest graduates is holding up, with a slightly increased proportion of fast-stream trainces coming from Oxford and Cambridge in 1987 than in 1986. The areas suffering most

from insufficient recruitment are the Crown Prosecution Service and valuers. Some 450 jobs for lawyers were open in 1987 but only 189 appointments were made, with 28 other successful applicants awaiting appointment.

About 500 extra qualified and trainee valuers are needed to cope with revaluing about two million businesss properties in England and Wales. for the introduction of the community charge and uniform business rate in April

The commission hopes some shortfalls among specialist staff will be mitigated by internal training programmes and greater. flexibility in pay.

Six-year pay deal ends restrictive practises

By Tim Jones

A large company faced four years ago with closure is now in profit after the abandonment of an authoritarian management structure and a six-year pay deal.

The company has also recently signed a contract with a elected members of the workmajor European vehicle man-

Under the pay deal, worth 33.5 per cent and unique in British industry, the 433 employees have agreed to drop restrictive practices and to reduce job descriptions at the Borg Warner Automotive plant, near Port Talbot, South Wales, from 45 to 11. Managemeni grades have been reduced from seven to

Shopfloor foremen have been abolished, the role of managers changed from supervisory to co-ordinating, and workers have been arranged into "autonomous work groups". Working without di-

rect supervision, they plan, control and operate the entire production process, making decisions not only on a daily basis but for weeks ahead.

Difficulties are sorted out at an "operating board" where ing groups sit with management representatives. Since the new working prac-

tices were introduced, profitability has increased by 30 per cent in 12 months, costs in some areas have been reduced by 50 per cent, maintenance costs have come down from £60,000 to £27,000 a month, quality has increased

Methodios defends policies | Union boycotts jobs scheme

By Ruth Gledhill and Clifford Longley

Archhishop Methodios, the "entirely a matter for the dismissed leader of Britain's 250,000 Greek Orthodox Christians, strongly denied yesterday that he "coveted other thrones". He also disputed sugges-tions that relations between

the Anglican and Orthodox communities had suffered since his apppointment in He said the real reason for his dismissal, reportedly in-

fluenced by the Archhishop of Canterbury, Dr Rohert Runcie, was his determ-ination to expand the Greek Orthodox community in Britain. That had provoked the leaders of other churches fac-ing decline, he added.

Dr Runcie yesterday praised the "energetic leader-ship" of Methodios and said

there had never been any "personal clash". Dr Runcie, embarrassed by reports that he had had a hand

Ecumenical Patriarchate". Methodios, aged 63, said he had been expecting for "some months" to be dismissed as Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain He will soon leave his official residence in Paddington, west London, and return to his father's house in Athens.

"I have not been deposed. I remain an archhishop. I just no longer have this diocese",

Methodios denied that he had behaved in an "unseemly and improper" manner. patriarch and replace him with the Archbishop of America so I could go to America myself. This is a myth. This diocese is more than enough for me.

"They say I tried to depose the

"Dr Runcie is a good friend of mine and has been for 20 vears." He said he had opposed "certain Anglican contemporary innovations" in the Church of England.

He made an official protest to Dr Runcie and to the Archbishop of York over the appointment of Dr David Jenkins as Bishop of Durham. Methodios has also published a treatise against the ordination of women and has been shocked by recent events surrounding the debate on homosexuality in the church.

He said: "I am sure Dr Runcie was compelled to interfere in this business. Relations between the Anglican and the Orthodox communities have not suffered."

Methodios has written a summary of his achievements and the reasons which he believes lie behind his dismissal in a 14-page pastoral letter to be published later this week. "I will send the letter

around the world", he said. "I explained that I tried to establish in Britain an independent, strong and proud Greek Orthodox community.

A leading trade union is to boycott a £1.4 billion training programme aimed at creating work for 600,000 long-term unemployed. Other unions are expected to follow.

The General, Municipal Boilermakers and Allied Trades Union (GMB) announced its decision yesterday. The general council of the Trade Union Congress is almost certain to vote next week for a total boycott of the programme, badly denting its

Mr John Edmonds, GMB general secretary, said he had decided to reject the pleas of TUC officials to back a compromise. The TUC officials and the

Manpower Services Commission, which will administer the programme, were last night involved in urgent moves to persuade moderate unions to back it.

The TUC is aware it is in danger of being seen to aban-don the unemployed.

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Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Employment, yesterday made it clear the Government was determined to introduce the programme as planned on September 5. It replaces the Community Programme and the Job Training Scheme.

Trades unions, though, have crippled past initiatives, preventing an increase of 75,000 places on the Job Training Scheme.

The TUC was opposed to the new programme because trainees will be paid only the equivalent of their benefit plus a £10 travel allowance. It demanded "the rate for the

Mr Edmonds said some nnions on the general council would have been prepared to compromise if the Government had been willing to pay the same rate it pays trainees on the Community Programme, which is £67 a week. After meetings with Mr Ian Johnson, head of the Man-

power Services Commission Mr Edmonds said he was depressed that no guarantee on a reasonable payment could be given. The three trade union mem-

bers of the commission may Mr Ron Todd, one of the commissioners and general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, asked the Government for a

guarantee that the training

scheme would be voluntary. The Scottish TUC vesterday compounded the Department of Employment's problem over the planned scheme when its annual conference voted overwhelmingly for a campaign of "active campaign of opposition".

Mr Bill Spiers, deputy gen-eral secretary designate, said that Labour-run local authorities throughout the country would refuse to provide the managing agents, who are critical to the operation of the

Auction sets world record price

Baker looks at alleged misuse of aid

Inquiry into National Union of Students

The government inquiry into the affairs of the National Union of Students will investigate claims that the union misuses taxpayers' money for political campaigns, does not represent students, and fails to

provide welfare services. Mr Kenneth Baker, Secretary of State for Education and Science, launched the inquiry after the Conservative Collegiate Forum, the student wing of the Conservative Party, produced a report entitled Licence for Profligacy.

It formed the basis of an early-day motion of Mr Timothy Janman, Conservanve MP for Thurrock, which con-Janman, Conservative demned the union.

One focus for disquiet is for most students when it legalization of cannabis, and that unlike individual student passed an anti-poll tax motion an article in National Student

unions, almost all of which are at its conference in December parent body is free to make political gifts and affiliations unconstitutionally

The union has grown more left wing during the past five years - its 21-strong exec-utive contains no Alliance or Conservative members. It has become bolder in supporting and financing a one-sided political manifesto.

Since in theory almost every student in the country is a member, there is growing anger and frustration at this Opponents scorn the notion

affiliated to the NUS, the last year. The motion encouraged students to refuse to pay the tax, and promised to without fear of acting provide legal backing to those prosecuted for their action. The union gives money to

> ers received £1,000 in 1984, and it organized national speaking tours by Women Against Pit Closures and Gays Support The Miners. More recently, £2,000 was given to organizations fighting the Alton abortion Bill, and

left-wing causes. Striking min-

the union provided transport for a national demonstration. The Government is also expected to investigate the that the union was speaking union's policy favouring the magazine, describing how to make crack, a cocaine derivative, which said the drug was "staggeringly pleasurable". The magazine receives £24,000 of the union's £2 million annual budget.

Some £220,000 of taxpayers' money was spent on union conferences in 1986-1987. Critics say that intimidation and violence is used to produce extreme motions, and the practice of "mandation", by which delegates may not dissent from the view of their individual student unions, means that minority views are ignored.

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It is also said that many "The atmosphere was elecstudent services, such as welfare, the student's card, travel discounts and insurance, can be obtained independently.

Diamond sells for 9 million dollars

By Sarah Jane Checkland, Art Market Corresponde The largest diamond ever to come to auction fetched \$9.1 million (£4.8 million) in New York on Tuesday night.

room. Bidding went fast, in units of \$100,000, with "people yelling out their bids". At \$7 million there was a pause.

It was a record for any jewel and a surprise for Sotheby's 'Do you want to go one more?' and the firm admitted it was Just before the hammer came down, he bid again, and bought it." The auctioneer, Mr John Marion then proapprehensive before the sale. Mr John Block, of Sotheby's said: "We had very little ceeded to set another record,

nervous about it selling at all, let alone getting such a record." In the event, it was he who coaxed the winning bid from a private telephone

tric beyond my belief", he said. There were four candidates at the start, two on telephones and two in the

Before the sale, Sotheby's placed it "slightly below the Cullinan III, in the British Crown Jewels, and slightly above the Spoonmaker Di-"My client went quiet. I said amond, in the Topkapi Museum in Istanbul".

They had also strong seductive phrases through their glossy catalogue such as "The purchase or possession of a diamond signifies wealth and this time \$4.7 million (£2.5 million) for a pink diamond, power".

as well as three other prices in According to Mr John Block, this salesmanship worked. "Some of those start-The record pear shape di-amond has all the best credening the bidding had such aims in mind." But, he said, people tials for a diamond. It is 85.91 who spent so much money did carats; flawless; colour "D" not generally want their (the highest and best of all gradations of tone and shade) names to be broadcast.

The previous record for a jewel was \$6.6 million, paid in

1980 at Sotheby's Geneva for a pair of ear pendants with four pear-shaped stones, weighing a total of 131.86 carats. Mr Block said he was

amazed at the interest from private buyers. "This is a recent development. As quickly as people sell because they are afraid to wear them, young glamorous people are buying them to wear." According to him, most of

the buyers over the \$100,000 dollar mark are men buying for their wives. Under that price, many of the buyers are women The sale totalled \$34.6 mil-

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Withdrawing treatment 'can be justified'

Some babies should be left to die, says consultant

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Hospital doctors are justified in-allowing some frail new-born babies to die by withholding or withdrawing life saving treatment from them, a consultant paediatrician said yesterday.

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Professor Alexander Campbell told a conference on medical ethics that pro-fessional decisions to let babies die would become more sometimes must be taken." frequent in the next few years. : He disclosed that in Aberdeen hospitals between 1981

and 1985, 82 per cent of the nac-matal deaths followed decisions by doctors to withhold or withdraw life support. "This does not mean that

more infants are being denied intensive care but reflects the increasing number of tiny infants who are born under 28 weeks' gestation and who survive at least for a short time", he said.

There were clear cases where withholding or withdrawing life support was jus-tified. These included cases of gross brain disorders and of aborted foctuses found to be still alive.

"Some attempted terminations go wrong and increas-ingly paediatricians are being asked to resuscitate and treat one of these cases minutes after a colleague has been trying to kill it", he said.

"We have a duty to care for these infants but they may have been damaged during the abortion procedure. It's also most unlikely that their mothers will want to care for them. I believe in such cases aggressive intervention should be withheld.

Recent advances in intensive neo-natal care were increasingly being applied "recklessly and indiscriminately" in some British hospitals, Professor Campbell, of Aberdeen University, told the Leeds University conference. gestation were posing particu-

"There must be limits to intensive care if it is not to become a new and potentially cruel form of child abuse. The decision that an infant would be better off dead is an awesome one but one that

Neo-natal mortality rates had fallen in recent years to levels previously thought impossible and the successes of intensive care had come to epitomize the triumph of medicine, he said.

But there were also cases where such procedures were "painful, cruel, meddlesome and futile" and efforts were necessary to strike a balance between the responsible and irresponsible use of the skills, techniques and equipment now available in hospitals.

The crucial question in deciding whether a baby's life should be saved was the quality of life awaiting the child if it recovered.

Professor Campbell said the increasing number of very low



Professor Campbell: "Decision must be taken".

birth weight babies "born at and indeed the agony of decision-making from the the very limits of viability" between 22 and 26 weeks' doctors."

Professor Campbell said that until fairly recently specialists believed that prelar dilemmas for doctors and mature babies weighing less than 1000 grammes (2.2lbs) were unlikely to survive. "The delivery room is no place to make snap judge-ments. It is often junior

doctors who are at the delivery But it had become possible and they must be given clear instructions. These are that an to save babies weighing as little as 500 grammes. "In my infant born alive should review 750 grammes is a flexible level below which medical ceive the standard life-saving interventioo should not be continued."

Most delegates at the con-In many cases there were

high risks of serious brain ference yesterday appeared to sympathize with Professor damage, "Granted that we can save a life the question is what Campbell's views. kind of a life are we saving", Some referred later to the

situation in Liverpool last High technology medicine was being mereasingly used "relentlessly and indiscrimi-nately" while too little attenyear when all the septuplets born prematurely to a woman who had received fertility tion was given to the wishes of drugs died over a period of parents and the pain and days, although the hospital's intensive neo-natal care unit was equipped with the latest There might occasionally be cases in which treatment was medical technology.

Miss Jennifer Jackson, a lecturer in philosophy at Leeds University, said she believed doctors were safe from legal action if they could show that they made reasonable efforts to save an infant "in the light of customary medical practices and expecta-

The principle of acting in the best interests of the patient was a good defence and if treatment could do more harm than good doctors must not administer it, she said. The Liberal MP, Mr David

Doctors had to take the Alton, has dwelt oo the horrors that abortioo inflicts oo the guilt for their decisions to the foctus but it could be argued that the protracted suffering of neonates who have a precarious hold on life "It would be folly to remove might be incomparably the responsibility, the duty warse."

The Savile Row skulls



Mrs Patricia Stevens, an archa measuring the skull of a sixth century wild cow found in Lincolnshire. The skull is one of many to be displayed when English Heritage opens its Ascient Monuments Laboratory for the first time tomorrow and on Saturday.

It perches somewhat incongruously on the fifth floor of a building in Savile Row in the West End of London.

It is the most comprehensive archaeological laboratory in Britain and its functions range from conserving ancient artefacts to examining

the effects of acid rain on historic buildings. The objects to be displayed include bones from an Anglo-Saxon settlement at Heslerton, North Yorkshire, and some from Stanwick Roman villa, Northamptonshire, including the skeleton of a miniature dog.

The laboratory is a pioneer in the retrieval and conservation of fragile artefacts and in the ase of geophysical survey techniques to determine the need for so-called rescue excavations in advance of building work.

(Photograph: Chris Harris)

Security guard is shot dead at bank

By Michael Horsnell

A £25,000 reward was offered yesterday after a security guard was shot dead in an attempted robbery.

A raider fired a single shot from a revolver at the guard. He escaped empty-handed oo the back of a motor-cycle after another guard had snatched back from him a bag containing cash.

The raiders struck outside a branch of the Midland Bank in Tottenham Court Road, central London, after a Securicor vehicle drew up and two guards went in to cash two cheques of undisclosed amonots.

The guards were confrooted as they returned to the van. One raider shot the driver's colleague and grabbed the bag from the driver.

Passers-by tried to resuscitate the shot guard, who was wounded in the chest. He died in University College Hosp-ital. The reward was put up by Securicor.

Scotland Yard said a red motor-cycle used for the getaway was found abaodoned two streets away.

Mr Vipin Patel, aged 49, a clothes shop owner who saw the shooting said: "I was standing outside my shop aod saw a fairly squat man in his forties with a pistol.

"There was a crack and the guard fell to the floor. Moments later the man began shouting and made off down Beaumont Place still holding the gun in both hands."

Mr Jason Hadlow, aged 24, manager of a Tie Rack shop near by, saw the guoman speeding off on the motor-cycle. He said: "I heard a bang. or a crack like a pistol shot. I ooked across the road and aw a motorbike, probably a 250cc and certainly oo higger, speed off round the corner from the bank."

Survey of managers' pay

Women leap up salary list

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

The earnings of women managers are rising faster than those of their male colleagues, a latest business survey says. The number of women taking part in the regular surveys has also increased.

Women's average salaries in middle-management rose 11.3 per cent, for men the increase was 9.9 per cent. Although the gap is closing; men still earn more — an average of £22,540 compared with £17,984 for women. . .

Women managers now account for 7.2 per cent of those taking part in the earn-Institute of Management.

The survey shows directors' average salaries to be £49,771, up 11.9 per cent.

Only in the chemicals, metal manufacturing and manufacturing and mechanical engineering industries are women not taking an increasing share of manage-ment jobs. The textiles, construction, financial and

technical services industries important role of managehave more than doubled their number of women managers. Women managers are oo

average younger than their male colleagues. At director level the typical woman is 40 and earning £31,643 a year; meo at the equivalent senior-

More managers and directors get company cars, 70.4 per cent compared with 68.3 per cent in 1987. Howlikey to get a company car Salaries and training in than they were in 1987. Only British engineering firms are 29.8 per cent had one, com-

link between pay and cor-porate success. Given the a British one.

ment in the UK's economic revival it is vital that this trend should continue. "It is essential for us to

recruit managers of the highest calibre, and we will only be able to realize this aim if we cootinue to reward the people ity are aged 48 and earning who make wealth creation

ever, middle managers in survey receive boons pay-smaller companies are less ments.

British engineering firms are below the level of those of pared with 35.7 per cent the European and American com-Mr Peter Benton, director general of the institute, said yesterday: "This survey has identified a healthy trend towards greater incentives for British managers and a strong British managers and a strong £18,201 a year, £16,726 in a European firm, and £15,935 in

from the Army.

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Staff Sergeant Soer, a father of three, of the 1st Battalion, track.

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Mr Robert Taylor, aged 75, remembered the fifth earl placing the artefacts in secret cupboards at Highelere Castle, near Newbury, Berkshire, about 60 years ago. Other bequests were made to members of Lord Carnar-von's staff. The bulk of the

estate went to his family. The former Lord Porchester, racing manager to the Queen, became the seventh earl on his father's death.

Cleared NCO is still

be still faces being dismissed Cyprus.

at Colchester, Essex, which

The Royal Regiment of Fu-siliers, was acquitted of indecent assault and an another occasion. alternative charge of conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline by improperly embracing Fu-sitier Alan Dodd, then aged

Staff Sergeant Alan Soer, "Very distressed", for a walk. gave me a kiss or a sort of

> After his acquittal yesterday it was disclosed that Staff Sergeant Soer was found guilty last week of a serious sexual assault on a soldier aged 21.

He was sectenced to serve

Not many companies are honoured by two Queen's Awards in one year - one for Export Achievement and another for Technological Achievement. But then not many companies have British Gas's ability to apply space age technology to the needs of their own customers and then to

export that technology worldwide.

The Awards were given to the On-Line
Inspection Centre of British Gas at Cramlington, Northumberland for its development and international commercial exploitation of a device which can inspect buried fuel transmission pipelines internally, in situ, whilst they remain in service. Called an intelligent pig, it is a self-contained vehicle which passes along the pipeline driven by the pressure of gas or oil flowing through it. It carries on board a microminiaturised recorder capable of storing thousands of millions of separate readings, and a highly sophisticated computer to examine the readings from the pig's sensors and to eliminate irrelevant data.

The whole vehicle has to be able to withstand severe shocks, high pipeline pressures and to operate at accelerations of up to 25 G.

A typical 'pig' run of about 80 kilometres produces enough data to occupy many hours of mainframe computer time back at base, enabling the technicians to pinpoint the location of any flaw in the pipeline to within a metre.

All the main pipelines of British Gas have been – and continue to be – inspected in this way.
The Queen's Award for Export

Achievement reflects the success of the On-Line Inspection Centre of British Gas in developing overseas markets for the intelligent pig - in North America, Europe, Australasia, the Middle East and Africa - for both offshore and land pipelines.

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Former butler in Egypt relics find left £5,000

By David Cross A former butler who helped to find 300 Egyptian relics at the Carnarvon family home has been left £5,000 in the will of the sixth Earl of Carnarvon.

Lord Carnarvon, who died last September, aged 88, was the son of the fifth earl who, with Mr Howard Carter, found the tomb and treasures of Tutankhanum.

facing Army dismissal A staff sergeant was yesterday started a fight when be aired cleared of kissing a soldier, but bis views in a cafe in Akamas,

aged 34, was coovicted at an They sat oo a grassy bank. Mr earlier hearing of having sexual intercourse with another sergeant kissed him, but the ual intercourse with another sergeant kissed him, but the young soldier. A court martial NCO told the hearing: "He

> Mr Dodd also claimed Staff Sergeant Soer kissed him on

He was sectenced to serve two years in jail and to be left the Army, thought anyone dismissed from the Army. The in the Army "must have a sentence is subject to conscrew loose". He nearly firmation.

Arts Council 'ignoring the North'

By Andrew Billen

The Arts Council was accused of ignoring the needs of the North after the announcement yesterday of a 5 per cent overall grant increase to regional arts associations.

Mr Luke Rittner, secretary general of the Arts Council, announced that Eastern Arts had won a 14.6 per cent increase, reflecting the fact that it had been under-funded

m the past. However, Northern Arts, based at Newcastle upon Tyne, which covers Cumbria and Tyneside, reacted bitterly to its increase of 0.6 per cent.

Mr Peter Stark, director of Northern Arts, said: "The Arts Council had the money to ensure that at the very least all regions received the basic 3 per cent increase. They made a quite conscious decision not to do so."

Mir Andrew Davis will succeed Sir John Pritchard as chief conductor of the BBC Symphony Orchestra in October next year. Mr Davis, music director of the Toronto Symphony, has appeared regularly at the Proms and with the orchestra since 1970.

Earlier this week, Mr Giles Radice, Labour MP for Dur-ham North, led a delegation of Labour MPs from the North to protest to Mr Richard Luce,

Minister for the Arts. Mr Radice said: "The business structure in the North means that there are oot many rich private industries available for sponsorship so the area does not qualify for much business incentive money from the Arts Council either.

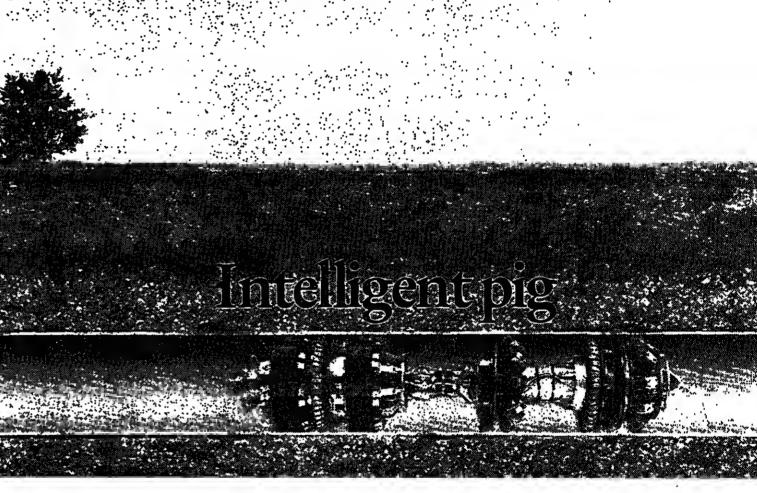
Replacement funds from the Arts Council after the abolition of the six metropoli-

duced annually, leaving associations such as Northern and Merseyside, which gained a 2.2 per cent rise, with a constantly lowering base level of

The Arts Council's extra development money, worth uted by a uniform calculation based on factors such as population, unemployment, average earnings and existing direct grants from the council for individual organizations.

Merseyside, which has two directly subsidized playhouses and no rural hinterland within its boundaries, loses out under the formula.

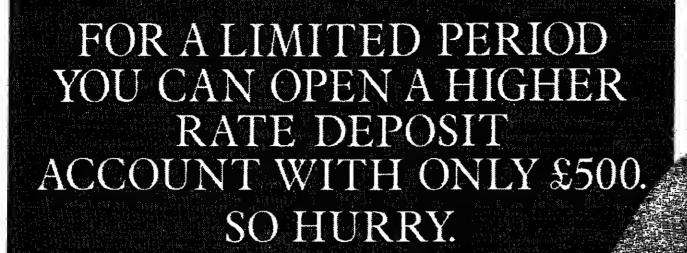
Mr Rittner said that to have used the extra development money to ensure associations m the old metropolitan county areas did not lose out would have been retrogressive.



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£30m safety steps to avoid repeat of King's Cross fire

London Underground disclosed yesterday the 100 steps it is taking to prevent a recurrence of the King's Cross disaster in which 31 people died last November.

The measures costing more than £30 million include the installation of fire detection equipment and the replacement of combustible materials in Underground stations.

Checks have also been made to ensure that fire prevention equipment is working properly and that staff know how to use it.

The measures were detailed in a report produced by London Underground and submitted to the public in-

Mr Lionel Read, QC, counsel for London Regional Transport and its subsidiary, London Underground, told the jaquiry: "All responsible members of London Underground have striven to identify with as much certainty and speed as they can what action should be taken to prevent the recurrence of this

He suggested that the measures should form the substance of the recommendations to be made by the inquiry and added that nothing of substance is lacking in them".

In his opening speech to the second part of the investigation, which is dealing with the lessons to be learnt from the catastrophe, Mr Read criticized counsel for the inquiry, briefed by the Treasury Solicitor, for unjustifiable attacks on London Underground, and also Mr Desmond Fennell, QC, chairman of the inquiry.

Mr Read said: "Attention is best concentrated on the extent to which the action taken or being taken reflects a sufficient response to the known causes of the King's Cross disaster".

He criticized attempts to widen the inquiry and called for a ruling from Mr Fennell on wbether it should investigate general matters of safety which he claimed were irrelevant to the issues at King's Cross. Claims made earlier that safety had been sacrificed to cost cutting were "wounding criticisms" which were not supported by any evidence.

He said that the call for a new independent body to oversee London Regional Transport was "not remotely justifiable". It was "plainly ludicrous" to create a new know how to turn on the agency to keep London Regional Transport on its toes simply because of one fire on one escalator in one station.

Mr Read criticized Mr Fennell for his request at the end of the previous day's hearing for minutes of board meetings of London Regional
Transport to be provided to
the inquiry. He said it was
"unnecessary of the court to
make references to its powers
of subpoena" to obtain the
documents have instructed to had earlier been instructed to provide them subject to cer-tain clarifications.

"Subject to the need to ensure commercial confidentiality, LRT has no objections to supply to the Treasury Solicitor for consideration by him and counsel for the court any documents they regard as potentially helpful and LRT is very willing to do so", he said.

Mr Read said that the transport authority would pay compensation for injury, loss

Claims that safety had been sacrificed to

cost cutting were wounding criticisms not supported by any of the evidence

or damage suffered in the fire without the need for anyone to prove a breach of duty on its

"Financial compensation can never be full recompense for loss or injury. Nothing can bring back the 31 who died at King's Cross last November and only the doctors can heal to the best of their ability the injured. Some will afways have physical or mental scar-ring from the events of that

In listing the 100 measures being taken by London Underground, Mr Read admitted for the first time that there had been several failings in safety procedures.

The actions of some of the 19 staff on duty at the time of the fire could be criticized, "It is unfortunate that relief station inspector Christopher Hayes did not inform the station manager and line controller more quickly upon discovering the fire", Mr Read

"Station inspector Hayes did not try to activate the water fog equipment. He did

equipment and where the controls were. It is likely that he forgot to do so in the emergency and turned to an alternative and available method of fire-fighting - an

extinguisher. He said that the manage-ment of the incident was "wrongly handled" and pointed out that at no time between the fire first being detected and eventually erupting was there a London Underground supervisor in the ticket hall or at the foot of the escalators to control passengers.

Two ticket collectors who should have been on duty at the time were taking unrostered meal breaks and would be disciplined. "If those two had been on duty, they could have played a part in controlling the passengers."

He also admitted that the ning of the escalator where the fire started had not been comprehensive and that lack of adequate communication between staff in the ticket hall and those on the platforms had hampered the handling of

Steps had been taken to prevent all these failures ever occurring again. He said the training of staff in emergency procedures was being im-proved at all levels and the company did not believe that extra staff was necessary.

He announced proposals for carrying out emergency ex-ercises on the Underground twice a year with the full participation of the emergency services but added that regular simulated evacuations on all stations were regarded as impractical during operating

The programme of replacing wooden materials should be completed by the middle of next year. The company had decided against accelerating its programme of replacing wooden escalators but cleaning programmes were to be improved.

London Underground had decided to fit all escalators with heat detectors linked to automatic sprinklers to cope with any future escalator fire,

It was also creating two new posts: a chief safety inspector is to be appointed shortly together with a senior fire officer to collaborate with the London Fire Brigade.

Mr Read will conclude his speech when the inquiry continues into its fiftieth day Clean up for sculpture | 1992 promises



Miss Kate Garland, a senior sculptor with the National Trust, cleaning a classical marble bust at Farborough Hall, Warwickshire. It is one of 29 bought by the trust with the help of a £155,000 grant from the National Heritage Memorial Fund, to keep them at the hall.

wider market for drug gangs

By Stewart Tendler, Crime Reporter

The single European market in 1992 will offer rich pickings for criminals as well as husinessmen, a national police drugs conference was warned yesterday by the lead-er of Britain's chief constables. International traffickers in heroin, cocaine and cannabis are already operating large smuggling networks across Britain. They and other crim-inal operations could well exploit the end of many frontier, customs and trade controls.

Fighting international traf-ficking is already too expensive for single police forces to tackle alone and yesterday the cooference was warned that investigators will have to abandon trying to get crim-inals into British courts and help coleagues abroad to hring prosecutioos.

Senior police commanders debated earlier this month the risks that the EEC open mar-ket will bring and chief constables plan to approach their European equivalents to set up a top level international conference on the implica-tions to the police of 1992.

The plan to set up the conference was disclosed vesterday by Mr Roger Birch, chief constable of Sussex and president of the Association of Chief Police Officers, as he opened the drugs conference organized by the association. Mr Birch is also to lead an association initiative to improve international co-opera-

Addressing drugs investigators and senior police Mr Birch said a new urgency had been injected into attempts at improving international cooperation because of the imminence of the single market.

He told the cooference: "The opportunities for increased criminal activity of all kinds this will provide cannot be overlooked and without doubt those who deal in drugs will be seeking 10 exploit the changes to full advantage".

Mr Birch told the conference, which is concentrating this year on the work of lay and medical experts in fight-iog drug abuse, that the largely unseen cancer of criminal use of drugs continues to thread its way insiduously into the sinews of society.

"Its threat to the general well-being and prosperity of a nation should not be underrated. It can penetrate all social class barriers, strike at rich as well as poor, educated as well as ill-educated. Its symptoms are not always evident until too late."

The costs of fighting international trafficking were explained by Hugh Annesley, the Scotland Yard assistant commissioner in charge of specialist detective operations.International cooperation was developing.

He told the conference: "Top flight drug traffickers do not respect the niceties of regional, domestic and international boundaries.lt will need to be accepted within individual forces and by their police authorities that the days of expensive investigative effort leading in all cases to arrest and trial in this country are over."

Cases started in Britain could be more efficiently prosecuted on the Continent or in the United States or elsewhere. Other cases started outside Britain could end

Telecom meets 90% target in pay phones drive

By Andrew Morgan

British Telecom has met its target set last year of having more than 90 per cent of its pay phones in working order, according to an independent survey published yesterday.

Telecom took the occasion to announce an increase in the number of pay phones, particularly those using Phonecards, improved repair and selfreporting systems and better preventive maintenance as part of its £160 million modernization plan begun three years ago:

Managers claim that a new target of having 95 per cent of its pay phones working by March 1990 could be brought forward.

The survey, jointly funded by Telecom and the Office of Telecommunications (Oftel), the public

watchdog, established that 92.3 per cent of pay phones were working during the period March 5 to April 1. In the period covering last November and December, the figure was 72.4 per

A nationwide breakdown found that Scotland had the highest proportion of working phones, with 95 per cent, and England the lowest with 91.9 per cent. The London area was lower with a rate of 89 per cent.

Mr Mike Bett, managing director of Telecom UK, said there would be no smugness. "We are firmly committed to the pay phone service. Before privatization, people spoke of us ripping out phones, but we have actually installed an additional 3.500 in the past two years", he said.

Professor Bryan Carsberg, director general of telecommunications at

Oftel, said: "This is splendid news. BT has a difficult job to counter theft and vandalism but this result shows what can be achieved."

Oftel will not publish monthly figures, but Telecom will continue to report to it.

Telecom claims that the improvement has come about largely because of improved reporting and repair times in respect of the 80,000 pay phones, with most of the faulty machines being repaired within 24 hours. Most pay phones are also checked daily.

Mr Bett said that pay phone theft was still a big problem; it was losing £40 million through damage, theft and lost revenue. "You never say that we have cracked it, but we have given the criminal world a very severe warning that we will be on their trail and secure their prosceution if we can", he said. Telecom now has 11,000 card phones and aims to increase this to 20,000 during the next two years. Mr Bett said: "I would be disappointed if we don't reduce the £40 million deficit in running pay phones. There is a long way to go before profitability, but I am confident that the least we will do now is to break even for the first time."

• The Post Office Users National Council has found that first class letters posted on a Thursday are most likely to arrive on time. The worst postage days are Fridays and Sat-urdays. The Post Office, which mea-sures letter timings from arrival in the sorting office to the day of delivery. bas set a 90 per cent target for getting letters to their destinations the next working day. Its delivery figures for February were 89.5 per cent.

Prison for terror at matches

A judge defended the image of football yesterday as be jailed two Milwall supporters after they were convicted of conspiracy to cause an affray.

Judge Kenneth Cooke told the men at Southwark Crown Court, south London, after a three-month trial that their reign of terror had nothing to do with the national game.

He said: "I think it's a great pity that we have coined the phrase, 'football hooligans'. This conduct has nothing to do with football.

"It's a great pity that the name of foootball has become tied to hooliganism in this fashion. We should think of another phrase for it."

Keith Willcox, aged 29, a father of three, of Orton Goldhay, near Peterborough, Cambridgeshire, was jailed for four years. Stephen Taylor, aged 26, a father of two, of Upminster, Essex, was jailed for 38 months. for 30 months.

Colin Luton, aged 25, of Peckham, south London, and Stephen Titus, aged 24, of Addiscombe, near Croydon, Surrey, were acquitted.

The court was told that Willcox and Taylor had led a six-month campaign of "havoc and mayhem".

Record prices ease gloom

yesterday after a sale which you are unlucky." brought some excitement but also a disturbing number of disappointments.

nio Susini, from a model hy Giambologna. It shows Dei- £150,000 and £250,000. aneira, the wife of Hercules, struggling wildly as the cen-taur, Nessus, carries her off, and was first modelled by Giambologna for the Salviati family in 1575. It fetched £440,000 against an estimate of £200,000 to £300,000.

The London dealer, Danny Katz, paid a runaway £308,000 — more than four times the estimate — for a fifteenth century Italian marble relief of the Virgin and Child by the Master of the Marble Madonnas. Although the true identity of this artist is unknown, art historians have been able to visce together. been able to piece together a distinctive, oeuvre comprising a number of reliefs with sweet-

looking Virgins and After the sale, Mr Charles Avery, of Christie's, said the medieval objects market is restricted, although people know there is big money around so they insist on high

reserves.

Christie's was left with nearly say what is a high reserve. If half its European sculpture and works of art unsold takes it elsewhere, if too high

Casualties included a fifth century Byzantine bronze liturgical model of a standing There were two world ram, and a twelfth century records, first for a dramatic German oak lectern in the bronze sculpture cast by Anto- shape of an eagle. Both had been estimated at between

> As the afternoon proceeded Mr Avery had managed to sell privately a number of works.

> SALERCOM by Sarah Jane Checkland

Art Market Correspondent

including an early seventeenth century Florentine bronze Pietro Tacco. Estimated at £120,000 to £180,00). £150,000, he had found a The Walnele Gallery

of Rome" by Gaspar Van against an estimate of £100,000 to £150,000.

the Tiber in the foreground and the Capitol in the dis-"As there are no analogies tance. It was bought by a for these things, you cannot private buyer.

his picture of a Dutch whaler

unloading in an estuary. It is an attractive painting showing a hright choppy sea, and scudding clouds. It was bought anonymously. The final record was for a still life with fruit and flowers by the French seventeenth century artist, Michel Bouil-

lon, a type of painting becoming popular with private buyers. It sold for £92,400. within estimate. A similar still life, by the Dutch artist Jan Van Os, sold for £220,000 (within estimate).

A painting of the Immacu-late Conception by the Spanish painter, Murillo, one of his favourite subjects and probably the last in private hands, fetched £198,000 (estimate

The Walpole Gallery, which opened in Loodon this week, acted io an official capacity for There were three records at the city of Venice, bidding Sotheby's Old Master paintings sale. Top lot was "A view £30,000) for a portrait of the £30,000) for a portrait of the artist. Sebastiano Ricci, pal-Wittel, also known as Vanviette and brushed in hand, by telli, which fetched £236,500 the Milanese artist, Bartolomeo Nazari.

First bought for the Vene-The picture shows the tian collection of Count imperial marble yard beside Johann Matthias von der Schulenburg, and sent for sale by his descendants, the pur-chase means a home-coming

B&B landlady comes in from the cold

Bed and breakfast hostelries are changing to satisfy de-mand from all sections of society. Smoking is frowned upon, but dogs are more welcome than children.

Landladies do not deserve their image as prim author-itarians and had cooks, the itarians and had cooks, the authors of The Good Bed and Breakfart Guide say. Of the top 10 listed in this latest Which? guide, seven impose smoking restrictions, six refuse small children but only four will turn away man's best

The authors, Sesan Causin, formerly of the British Tourist Authority, and Elsie Dillard, both Britons living in the United States, say that the more than 700 establishments listed "are the best B&Bs we have stayed in, places we would recommend to anyone". from home." One reason for would recommend to anyone".

By Shona Crawford Poole, Travel Editor

At £10 to £20 a head a night they find plenty to recommend, from Holly Lodge in Bath—"straight from the pages of House & Garden"—to the "superb" breakfasts Many guests are business-men, including Americans, who prefer the homeliness to the impersonal atmosphere of

and matching wallpapers, cur-tains and bedspreads of Manor Farm Bara in Taynton, Oxfordshire. The authors say: "For years the British B&B has offered travellers an inexpensive alternative to grander hotels and ions, but until recently it tended to conjure up visious of pinafore to cook breakfast. lino and saggy, none-too-clean beds in chilly bedrooms. and the "exuberant" Carrolle

"Nevertheless, the B&B flourished because it met a need - people without bottomless pockets had to have somewhere to stay when away from home." One reason for

guest houses are homes too.
"They have tended to become
more comfortable as living
standards have improved."

large hotels, although their companies are footing the bill. Landladies and landlords tend to be interesting personalities with a fondness for meeting people". There is Janet Florey of Manor Farm Barn who wears a Union Jack

Sellick of Holly Lodge. Mrs Sellick, for whom inclusion in the guide was a "wonderful surprise", said "doing up old houses" was her passion. "It is amazing how much detail guests notice", Mrs Sellick said. "I think the

odour of a house is important. We always have fresh flowers and pot pourri. And this is a no smoking house."

The guide's top 16 bed and breakfast houses are: Holly Lodge; Hayburn Wyke, Salis-bury, Wiltshire; Manor Farm Barn; The Old Vicarage, Higham, Suffolk; Carline Higham, Suffolk; Carline Guest House, Lincoln; The Coach House, Crookham, Northumberland; Colonnade Hotel, west London; Medwyn House, West Linton, Borders; The Old Rectory, Llansanffraid Glan Conwy, Gwynedd; and Midhurst Hotel, St Peter Port, Guernsey.

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Botha dismisses broadcast chief

Johannesburg - The director-general of the nominally independent South African Broadcasting Corporation, Mr Adrian Eksteen, was sacked yesterday after months of tension between him and President Botha (Michael Hornsby writes). A statement issued after an extraordinary meeting of the SABC board of governors said that Mr Eksteen, who is in his mid-forties, had agreed to "retire" from his post today. It said he would get a golden handshake, equal to five years' salary, and a deferred pension.

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The thinly disguised dismissal of Mr Eksteen is seen here as the first move in a plan by Mr Botha to tighten further his control over the national radio and television service. Mr Eksteen's troubles began last August when Mr Botha telephoned him during the main evening television news bulletin to complain about a report on the removal from the Cabinet of the Rev Allan Hendrickse, leader of the main party in the Coloured (mixed-race) House of Representatives, and forced a presidential statement to he read.

Queen's party lottery

at a garden party where many guests won their invitations in a prize draw (Christopher Morris writes). The 1,200 winners from all over Western Australia were chosen by lonery after completing an application form in local newspapers. The idea to provide a wide cross-section of guests was the idea of the host, Mr Peter Dowding, Premier of Western Australia.

Apart from the usual guest list of local dignitaries, the Queen will mingle with shop assistants, students, farmers, teachers, cleaners and the unemployed. She is said to be intrigued and pleased with the plan. But there are worries that many will arrive bearing birthday gifts such as langaroos, koala toys and aboriginal paintings.

Meese choice quits

Washington (Reuter) — Mr Edwin Meese, the US Attorney General struggling to fill top vacancies at the Justice Department, said yesterday that his choice for the number two post has withdrawn his name from consideration.

Mr. Meese, who has been under investigation for nearly a year by a special prosecutor examining his financial affairs and his role in an aborted Iraqi oil pipeline deal, has had problems in filling the vacancies after resignations last month. He pledged to move quickly to fill the deputy position, working closely with the White House.

Justice Department officials said that Mr Meese will have trouble filling the posts, mainly because of concern about his continued leadership of the department.

Family sues Contras

Miami (AP) — The family of Benjamin Linder, the engineer killed by Contra rebels last year in Nicaragua, yesterday filed a \$50 million (£26.4 million) civil lawsuit against rebel leaders. The family accuse the Contras of having "brutally executed" Linder last April 28 as he helped to build a hydroelectric plant in northern Nicaragua.

The lawsuit accuses the Contra director, Señor Adolfo Calero, and his military commander, Señor Enrique Bernudez, of the "wrongful death, battery, and cruel and inhuman treatment" of Linder. The Contras publicly have said Linder was armed and died in a gun battle between

Murderess inherits

with a hammer shortly after her wedding will inherit his estate, a Swedish court has ruled. The Svenska Dagbladet newspaper said that the court ruled that murder committed while under temporary insanity does not disqualify the killer from inheriting the victim's estate. The bequest of family heritoms to the widow was challenged by the victim's handicapped mother. The woman, aged 22, was committed to a mental institution. "I understand the law, in principle, but in this case it's twisted," the mother was quoted as saying.

A fund-raising genius fills candidate's coffers



From Michael Binyon

Mooey is the key to successful election campaigns in America, and the more a candidate can raise the better his chances of getting his message across. Governor Michael Dukakis owes his success, above all else, to Mr Bob Farmer, mastermind of probably the most prosperous Democratic campaign in history.

Mr Farmer, a genial mil-lionaire who made his fortune producing technical manuals, retired from business in 1980 and has been a full-time fund-

He began with the campaign of Mr John Anderson, a Republican who ran for president as an independent that year. In 1984 he was the chief fund-raiser for Senator John

Glenn of Ohio, another presidential hopeful. But it is with Mr Dukakis, a fellow Bostonian whom he has known for nine years, that his extraordinary talents have come into their own.

Last June, Mr Farmer launched the Dukakis campaign with a reception at the Park Plaza Hotel in New York at which he raised \$2.2 million (£1.2 million) — three times more than any Democrat had ever collected at a single event. By the end of June, the campaign returns to the Fed-eral Election Commission showed \$4.6 million in

Since then, the campaign has collected more than \$20 million, including federal matching funds, more than twice the amount of other

candidates. This gave Mr Mr Farmer spent up to one Dukakis an enormous or-hour with 300 people of sanizational advantage, and influence and statute be had ganizational advantage, and resources to buy the television advertisements that have helped him emerge as the front-runner. Indeed, fundraising has gone so well that the campaign has the enviable problem of nearing the \$27.6 million limit it is allowed to

spend under federal law. Mr Farmer approaches his job with a cool profession-alism and a streamlined organization that would seem to come straight from the technical manuals he once produced. His strategy is to delegate fund-raising activities to key supporters who each pledge to bring in contributions from friends, family and husiness associates.

At the start of the campaign,

identified as his regional captains, discussing techniques, goals and eliciting promises that they would meet impressive targets.

"The secret is the number of grey-haired people willing to get committed. There are a lot of 22 year-old fund-raisers. We have a lot of people with pot-bellies and little or no hair." Some 775 people have been recruited for the Dukakis campaign. Of these, 600 have fulfilled their quotas of \$10,000 each, about 130 have delivered \$20,000 and a dozen at least \$100,000. Long before "Super Tuesday" he had set up offices in 38 cities, with 240 paid staff.

Mr Farmer was helped at

whom are wealthy and take pride in the candidacy of a fellow Greek. They contrib-uted the vital early funds, and account for 15 per cent of the campaign's money. Massachusetis businessmen also

saw it in their interest to help A graduate of Dartmouth College and Harvard Law School, Mr Farmer has been a Republican for most of his life, but later registered as a Democrat and worked as finance chairman for Mr Dukakis's guhernatorial cam-paign in 1982. He has dealt with all the senior party officials and admits that he would he tempted by an offer of a White House job, should Mr Dukakis win. But so far he is happy proving the maxim that money begets money.

New York puts Massachusetts governor on road to Democrat nomination

Jackson holds key to Dukakis hope of November triumph

From Charles Bremner, New York

hard-fought primary election has cleared the way for Mr Michael Dukakis to win the election between Mr Bush and nomination as the Democratic presidential candidate, but his chances against Vice-President George Bush in November will depend heavily on his handling of the Rev Jesse Jackson.

"If we can win here we can wio anywhere," the normally cautious Mr Dukakis declared at his victory rally in New York before heading for the next campaign, in Pennsylvania, a state where he has long been strong favourite.

He added: "I think we've got a very, very good chance, not only of uniting the party, but of uniting the country and winning in November."

In New York, Mr Dukakis took 51 per cent of the vote, compared with 37 for Mr mance in the minefield of the New York campaign. "Despite urgings to paint himself more colourfully, he has remained centrist," it said.

Mr Dukakis's more colourfully to have manned centrist, it said. move that most benefits Mr which suggested that 60 per

A triumph in New York's confusion among the Demo- candidate More than half said crats, the scene now appeared that they would prefer Gov-to be set for a November ernor Mario Cuomo. But the to be set for a November key to a successful Dukakis the Massachusetts governor. Not since Mr Jimmy Carter has the country faced a choice army of supporters who will

faced President Ford in 1976 between two such uninspiring performers. "Dull wins in "88," one beadline read.



However, The New York Times said that Mr Dukakis had shown himself to be a virtuoso with his mild perfor-

ticket lies in the hands of Mr Jackson, who has emerged as a phenomenal leader with an not easily tolerate exclusion from the party's decisions. The Chicago clergyman is expected to fight hard all the way to the last primaries in California and New Jersey on Mr Dukakis must now win in Pennsylvania, Ohio, In-

diana and the final primaries all states that are more favourable to him than New York. But he and the party establishment must also avoid antagonizing Mr Jacksoo and his supporters. By accommodating Mr

Jackson, perhaps as vicepresidential candidate, Mr Dukakis will risk losing the South where the party depends on the old white conservative vote. If he includes a southerner on the ticket then he could alienate the Jacksoo

Republican commentators



son said yesterday that he fice holders - and from the wanted to build bridges, and 400 or so uncommitted delehe praised Mr Dukakis for keeping the New York race "out of the gutter", but he Mr Jackson. The Senate chose refused to talk about the vice- its 43 on Tuesday.

gates. So far, be has 104 superdelegates against 45 for

Mr Dukakis claimed 13

gates gives him muscle to negotiate a deal, and his name is high on the list of potential

As the Democratic bandwagon left the Big Apple, one man no longer on board was Governor Cuomo, His aides Dukakis.

Cent of the people who voted have been making no attempt
Party insiders agreed that, for him in New York did so to disguise their glee at the after a year of turnoil and only for want of a better dilemma that will face the Mr Dukakis will need heavy

Control of the people who voted have been making no attempt of delegates at the convention, claimed none, and Senator believed that Mr Dukakis was after a year of turnoil and only for want of a better dilemma that will face the

Michigan victory sowed seeds of certain defeat for campaign phenomenon New York Chaos. In those circumstances, adice. He is not acceptable to did not want to risk letting Mr ever to be an exciting campaigner, but he is developing a sort of chap but the kind of attempt to ingratiate himself.



Geoffrey Smith

now take a political earth-quake to stop Governor Michacl Dakakis getting the Democratic nomination. If Democratic nor that earthquake does not occur in the Pennsylvania primary next week, it would take n political miracle.

Even if he does not have enough delegates pledged to him by the time of the last primary in early June, he seems certain to be well out in front. He will be the clear vinner of the primary process.

The choice for the party would then lie between nom-inating him or plunging into and those now pledged to defeated candidates would throw their support to him.

This can be predicted all the more confidently because of the strength of the Rev Jesse Jackson. He has been the henomenon of this campaign. The remaining primaries will be a direct fight between him and Mr Dukakis.

But, while Mr Jackson has has so far exceeded expecta-tions, he still stands no chance of being elected president. He

primary voters, never mind the uncommitted voters who will determine the presidential election itself in November.

So the more the Democratic race has narrowed to a choice between the two of them, the better it has been for Mr. Dukakis. Otherwise Senator Albert Gore might have run more strongly in New York.

Mr Jackson is particularly unpopular among Jewish voters, who are such an important is too left-wing and too inexperienced, quite apart from electorate. Many of them were
considerations of racial prejattracted to Senator Gore, but
well financed. He is unlikely

I believe, indeed, that Mr Jackson's victory in the Michigan cancuses last mouth enered, paradoxically enough, that Mr Dukakis would get the nomination. As the threat of choosing an unelectable can-didate suddenly seemed more credible, most Democratic voters tended to rally round the strongest alternative.

That is one reason for the success of a candidate who is criticized on all sides for heing too dull. But Mr Dukakis has

The other morning I listened to him talking to a junior high school on drugs. He had a prepared speech of stupefying worthiness, which was circulated to the press but otherwise totally disregarded.

Instead, he conducted a teach-in with the children, walking up and down the hall as he engaged them in a discussion on how to deal with the problem. It was a brilliant performance.

He is also projecting himself rather effectively as a com-

things done. The personality of this cam-

paign, though, is unquestion-ably Mr Jackson. I helieve it would be disastrous for the Democrats if be were even the vice-presidential candidate. The American electorate would not be prepared to have him one heartbeat away from the Oval Office. But be has more eloquence than any of the others and a certain presence.

A few days ago, I watched him at a press conference receiving the endorsement of Hispanic leaders. His manner

Then on Sunday morning, I saw a different Jesse Jackson in a television studio with the other candidates. During the commercial breaks in their debate, when they were off the air, he was ebulliant, jovial, even on one occasion slapping Mr Dekakis playfully on the

The prospects for the Demo crats will now depend not only on the contest but also on the chemistry between these two men. Mr Dukakis needs to defeat Mr Jackson now but to have his enthusiastic support

Hijackers had 'eyes like sharks' as they threatened passengers with death

Freed hostages tell of monotony of fear

course, of gratuitous cruelty when the hijackers beat a man of 71 who wanted to go to the

But it was Abdul Mounin Mahmoud who captured the presentiment of death in his first minutes of freedom. "When they pointed the gun

at you and began as if they would shoot you," he said,
"you found their faces became
different, they had different eyes, a different expression in them - you could tell by the eyes - the eyes were terrible behind the mask." He was a tall, handsome young Egyp-tian, still dressed in his airline purser's blue and gold uniform, someone who had everything to live for and had considered this from the moment Kuwait Airways flight KU422 was hijacked 17 days

"From the very, very begin-ning, I thought of death," he said. "Because at the very beginning of the attack, I was No 1 to be approached by them because they thought I was (airline) security and they kept asking me, Where are the guns? Where are the security men? It was the worse moment. They came to me with a gun and they had a cold blooded look - have you ever seen a shark in the water? They were these eyes exactly— no expression— pale-faced and very shaking hands, telling me to surrender. Then they put me on my face (on the m my back."

The 31 remaining hostages

The 31 remaining hostages floor) and two of them stood

dawn, Several waved. Others appeared haggard, half asleep after their participation in what might still count as the longest aircraft hijack in history. They grinned tiredly, only the aircraft crew shaking off the effects of their ordeal,

Captain Sobhi Youssef, the pilot, sat in his gold-braided uniform, silver haired, distinguished, looking every bit the part of a seafarer who has brought his ship through storms to port.

It was difficult to believe that this was the man who, 10 days ago, pleaded to the Beirut

There were stories of terror aboard the Boeing 747 had airport control tower. "I beg employee from Kuwait who (to the hijackers) that we were God, I prayed where I was, in my seat. In Cyprus I prayed course of gratuitous cruelty— down the aircraft steps at you again, please let me land." Ali, spoke repeatedly about Some had faith in God, (when the plane was at Perhaps the hijack had gone on too long for the "Stockholm syndrome" - that old cliche in which passengers come to like their hijackers to take effect. There was little love lost among the hostages for the seven or eight men who appearing in the VIP lounge at had tormented them for more Algiers airport in immaculate than two weeks.

They showed thick and bloody weals around their wrists where the gunmen had pinioned them with plastic handcuffs, which cut into their flesh even when they prayed.

the monotooy of fear. "You could not tell what was happening," he said. "We did

6 You think of what you have been doing with your life

not know where we were - the shades (on the aircraft windows) were pulled down. We were forbidden to talk to each other - the few times, a very few times, we were able to sayto our fellow passengers: Neither at prayer, nor when they were going to the lavatory were these handcuffs killed? What could we do? We had no force (to use); they had

others in their governments, a trust that the Kuwaiti authorities apparently honoured, though giving the impression that they might have to allow the hostages to die. "We did not know if the Government would release the prisoners (that the hijackers were demanding)." Ali said. "But we knew the Kuwait Govern-

ment would never forget any Mr Khader al-Oteibi was more thoughtful. "At first, we cared about our lives," he said. "Then, later, we said 'If our time comes, it comes. We

knew our day would come. One hostage, a fire brigade guns. If we talked, that meant Sometimes I thought about

Gunmen's pledge as Ramadan starts Excerpts from the text of the those in prisons in Europe and the Islamic resistance in consideration their wishes

Airways Boeing 747: In the name of God the the Lebanese Phalangists.

... and all his companions.

great holy month of Ramadan and because we wish to heal the wounds between Muslims. and also for Islamic and humaoitarian reasons, we stress the following points: Our cause is right and determined by Islam. Every the Americans and to the fighter and struggler endorses Shultz plan, which wants to

gummen's statement ending the reactionary Arab capitals, southern (Lebanon). The only about the case of our brothers the hijack of the Kuwait and our heroes in the jails of solution is to remove Israel in Kuwait and their wishes Israel and its collaborators, from existence.

Because of the arrival of the We call on Arab Muslim countries to confront Israeli aggression, which has penetrated deep into Muslim countries, and to challenge American influence with unity, fierce resistance and sacrifice. We call on them to stand up to it. We repeat that we want to bring the region to its knees

merciful... Prayer and praise of We have not dropped our to the fighting Palestinian demand for the freeing of our people, facing Israel alone in brothers in Kuwait. greetings to the children who embraced the stones and soil of Jerusalem and we ask all Palestinians to stick together and hold on to their guns ... Israel proved it only wants murder of those who fired the the region's identity restored. first shots for the Palestinian Muslim revolution . . .

After giving our Algerian

about the prisoners, oppressed • We send a special greeting people and revolutionaries of the Muslim world and the freedom-seeking world ... we declare that we will end the plane incident on the third day of holy Ramadan, sending our greetings to the Kuwaiti peo-ple and to the people of the Hijaz (Saudi Arabia), who are demanding that the American killing and bloodshed by its agencies be thrown out and

Greetings to our people in Algeria. In the name of God the merciful and those who brothers ... our deepest con- fought for us, we will show them the truth of our ways.

my seat. In Cyprus I prayed (when the plane was at Larnaca). I thought I was going to die in Cyprus.

Mr Mahmoud said he oever prayed but he fasted on the first day of Ramadan. Nor, he says, did be know until he was freed yesterday morning and talked at last to the passengers, that the hijackers had mur-dered two hostages at Larnaca. Some people heard the shots but we did not know. They took two persons away and I think they were the people they shot."

It turned out to he Mr

Mahmoud's second hijacking. He had been a flight attendant aboard the Kuwait Airways flight hijacked in 1986 to Tehran when two American passengers were killed. "I had flashbacks to when I was a kid," he said. "You think of what you have been doing with your life. You think about all things." The man who would only

call himself Ali described without emotion how hijackers and passengers finally took leave of each other. "One hour before our release," he said. "I saw the hijackers for the last time. It was 3.45 or 4.00 (in the morning). I could not see their faces (through their masks) or hear anything. It was the last meal before our Ramadan fasting was to begin and the hijacker said to me: You had your hreakfast? Then he said: 'Okay, go to sleep.' I said I could not sleep. He said: 'Try to sleep' in a very friendly way. Later on, he disappeared."

Step by step through the 16-day ordeal Chronology of events in the Kuwait Airways hijacking: Tuesday, April 5: Hijackers seize flight KU422 from Bangkok to Kuwait. The Boeing 747, with 97 passengers and 15 crew, lands at Mashhad, northeast Iran. A Jordanian passanger is fraad. Arabicspeaking hijackers demand the release of 17 Arab militants jailed in Kuwait and say three members of Kuwait's ruling femily on beard as aman and servine and the lijackers release one Kuwaiti Hijackers release one Kuwaiti

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Wednesday, April 13: Plane from the plane in two groups arrives at Algiers. Mr Hadi about 45 minutes and 15 min-Khediri, the Algerian Interior utes before the hostages left.

members of Kuwait's rulling family on board — a man and his two youngar sisters — are "in imminent danger".

Wednesday, April 6: Twenty-four wornen, including 10 Britons, are released.

Thursday, April 7: Hijackers release 32 more people, including the remaining 12 Britons, but later fire waming shots at security forces. Iran agrees to refuel the plane.

Friday, April 8: Plana takes off for Beirut. Circles Lebanese capital for nearly four hours but officials block runway. Airliner lands at Larnaca airport in Cyprus.

Saturday, April 9: Hijackers threaten to kill ona passenger unless aircraft is fully refuelled, then shoot dead a Kuwaiti man released as a "goodwill gesture". Ratatives in Kuwait tater say he fias disappeared.

Sunday, April 10: The prolanian Islamic Jihad movement in Beirut threatens to kill its Westem hostages if the jet is stormed.

Monday, April 11: Body of a Kuwait interman thrown from the plane.

Tuesday, April 12: Plana refuelled. Twelve hostages released. Cyprus says negotiators have been assured remainder will be freed in Algeria. Boeing takes off for crew. Airport sources say hijackers were spirited away hijackers and spurses and spurses and spurses and spurses and spurses and spurses and spurses.

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Congressmen voice fears of American-Iranian war

Nunn seeks fresh look at US policy on the Gulf

pressed fears of an escalation allies," he said. "We don't and called for more co-ordination with US allies, moves

Democrat who is among the the attack on Iran. Senate leaders proposing that the US had to make sure re-examine our policy."

The White House yesterday reviewing the rules of engagement in the Gulf. Mr Marlin could not say whether there would be any changes.

Mr Nunn urged caution in the Gulf, hut said the US should protect more ships in the Gulf than just those flying the US flag and that the US should attack again if it found that Iran had fired Silkworm

missiles on Monday.

Mr Sam Nunn, the chairman and a former Republican of the Senate armed services Navy Secretary, expressed the committee, has called for US belief, widely held in Conpolicies in the Gulf to be regress, that the other Western examined, warning that they powers in the Gulf were not might be dragging America doing enough to help the US. into war with Iran. "We'd like to see a more co-As other congressmen ex- ordinated participation by our

want to unilaterally be there." Other Republicans exwere afoot to redraft the War pressed doubts over the US Powers Resolution to make it actions. Mrs Jeane Kirkmore acceptable to the Reagan Administration. patrick, the former Ambassador to the UN, said the US Mr Nunn, a conservative may not have been justified in

"I wish I knew whether that changes in the controversial mine was aimed at us and was resolution, said on Tuesday not just there," she said. "Ohviously we don't want the the attack on the Iranian ships Gulf to be mined ... But 1 and oil rigs did not become a think the confrontation is US-Iranian war. "We've got to dangerous ... And it's not in the interest of anybody.

Her opposition voices said it was immediately frustration on the right with Gulf policy, and a belief that the US should not pay such a Fitzwater, the spokesman, hig price to protect Arah shipping and oil for the European and Japanese markets. At the same time, the

rumhling discontent in Congress over the Administration's refusal to invoke the War Powers Resolution has prompted the Senate Democratic leadership to propose



launchers as they scan the horizon for possible attacks by Iranian forces.

deadlines for congressional invoke the War Powers Commonwealth Affairs, said faster consideration of legisla- • LONDON: The Govern-

The dangers of US military operations being stalemated

Nunn has called instead for a report from the President.

tion to stop any such deployments, along with more consultation on military engagements as they develop.

The consideration of legislation to stop any such deployment warned yesterday against foreign ships deliberately reflagging to take advantage of British naval protection in the Gulf (Martin Fletcher writes).

changes in the 1973 legislation by Congress have led to Mr David Mellor. Minister tion had once that would drop automatic administrations' reluctance to of State for Foreign and reasonably safe.

approval of long-term deploy-ment of US troops in hostile situations. In a Bill due to be introduced next week, Mr a separate resolution requiring vide protection was being stretched to its limit.

• PARIS: Commercial ships flying the French flag were waroed yesterday that the French Navy was temporarily suspending escort duties in the Gulf until the risks had been clearly evaluated and naviga-Mr David Mellor, Minister tion had once again become

Jubilant Iraqis erase Iranian traces at Fao

From Subhy Haddad, Fao, southern Íraq

oilfield in southern Kuwait

yesterday in apparent revenge for heavy losses in recent Gulf

fighting against Iraq and the United States, Kuwaiti of-

A Soviet-made Scud missile exploded in the desert near the

al-Wafra oilfield at 3.15am but caused no damage or

Suleiman Majid al-Sha-

BAGHDAD: Iraq yesterday offered Iran a conditional halt

to attacks on civilian centres

in their war of the cities,

saying it would observe the ceasefire from midnight.

ship at the end of the narrow

Ras al-Bisha sits on the

point where the Shatt al-Arab

waterway, which divides the

two warring nations' lands in the south, flows into the Gulf.

An Iranian F4 Phantom jet

opened rocket fire at the Iraqi

side close to one of the

casualties, they added.

ficials said.

rough road leading down the narrow strip of land to Fao in

Earthmovers were busy turning soil on to the corpses as reporters toured the area only hours after Iraqi troops recaptured it on Tuesday. Not a living Iranian soldier was seen on the peninsula.

A fat Iraqi corporal opened A fat Iraqi corporat openen machinegun fire on a portrait of Ayatollah Khomenei, the Iranian leader, as other soldiers tore up placards, pamphlets and signs carrying his sayings. More Iraqi troops danced and chanted: "Death to Khomeini and long live (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein".

Mara than 200 Iranian pris-

More than 200 Iranian prisoners-of-war, all Revolutionary Guards, were being held in a big yard in front of the Iraqi Army headquarters on the

Bunkers and armaments installed during Iran's 26-month occupation of the southern terminal and crushed in the assault, were also vanishing under soil as the earthmovers moved relentlessly forward.

Even some Iranian tanks, armomed vehicles and heavy machine guns, which looked intact, were being dumped under the salty and muddy soil of the Fao peninsula.

Happy young Iraqi soldiers in handreds of tanks, ar-moured personnel carriers and trucks gave victory signs and fired in the air in triumph.

Reporters were driven in army vehicles the 55 miles from the port city of Basra to Fao, once a busy terminal for exports and for goods arriving in Iraq through the Gulf.

Of the buildings put up by the British Army during its occupation in the early 1920s only two or three half-demol-

Dozens of Iranian corpses ished structures remained. A litter both sides of the 20-mile large sign in Arabic on one large road leading down the wall read: "The headquarters no casualties. Iraq said inter it of the Supreme Islamic Coun-Other vehicles came under cil of Iraq". This is a group led by a dissident Iraqi Shia mallah, Mohammed Baqir alheavy machine gan fire from the Iranian bank but no damage was reported. Hakim, who lives in Tehran.

"Not a single enemy soldier At least two 175 mm recoilless gun batteries were capexists on the peninsula's terri-tured intact, their barrels tory now ... Our brave soldtured intact, their barrels iers have completely liqui-dated the invaders and only a pointing northwards towards the old Iraqi lines. No enemy few were able to escape. swimming through the cold water of the Shatt al-Arab," a Kuwait (Reuter) - Iran fired a missile at a US-operated high-ranking military official

> He said the Seventh Army corps had liberated the areas west of the waterway in 24 hours. The Presidential Guards corps had attacked on two axis. One pressed toward the Mamlaha - a salt p isolating the dry land near Fao from the Iraqi forces. The second lanuched a drive to the coastal road running parallel to Khawr abd Allah channel up to Ras al-Bisha, the last Iraqi township at the end of

Suleiman Majid at-Sina-heen, under-secretary at the Kuwarit Foreign Ministry, protested to the Iranian Chargé d'Affaires, saying the attack gave a significant new boost to tension in the region. The officer said the fragi troops, after brief battles, were able to destroy aff the bunkers and artificial water barriers and freed the whole triangular peninsula in 34 hours.

The officer desied an Iranian claim that Iraqi forces used the nearby Knwaiti island of Bubiyan to attack Fac from

gunfire was heard as the dozens of jeeps roared through the town, some as far as Ras al-Bisha, the last Iraql town-"This is completely incorrect ... We have not used any non-Iraqi territory," he maintained.

Iraq's Air Force destroyed bridges connecting Fao with the Iranian bank of the Shatt al-Arab early in the battle on Sunday, the officer said. He said an Iranian counterattack was not expected in the

French presidential election

Chirac tunes in to grapevine reports on voter concerns

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

Although French law has finally silenced the barrage of public opinion polls in the run-up to next Sunday's first round of the presidential election, one highly developed form of political pulse-taking will remain active to the last minute.

As the countdown shortens, he Renseignements Généraux is providing the Government of M Jacques Chirac with

of M Jacques Chirac with dent had announced he would what amounts to a private seek a second term, the willy M. grapevine that extends to every class of voter in every corner of the country.

Since he is also the frontrunning candidate of the right, M Chirac is in the position. alone among his rivals, of receiving a "second opinion" to the polls published almost daily for many weeks. Seasoned politician that he is, the Prime Minister is not going to miss the chance to exploit any theme which seems promising as voters get down to the business of making up their minds for the first poll.

Operated by the national police force and responsible to the Ministry of the Interior, the "general advisory service" is formally charged with "research and centralization of political, social and economic information" of interest to the government of the day. Before every national election in France since 1951, its enquirers have fanned out to sample and analyse the mood Paris - A patisserie in Com-

piègne, is selling chocolate figures of the four main well, hot cakes at about £8 each (Philip Jacobson writes). It seems that M Jean-Marie Le Pen is in greatest demand, though this might be inter-preted in some quarters as being due to desire to bite his head off.

of the nation at everything from council meetings and cattle shows to village fêtes ard wine tastings.

What emerges from all this pavement pounding and listening might not be acceptable to a conventional opinion poll in content or methodology, but the special "feel" on which the service relies when it comes to interpreting material is what interests the politicians.

Take the election for the European Parliament in June 1984. In the final phase of the campaigning adivisory service predicted that, in spite of its poor showing in published polis, the National Front of M Jean-Marie Le Pen - considered then to be politically marginal - would win 10 per cent or more of the vote. The final count was more than 11 per cent. Three years earlier, when M François Mitterrand was campaigning to oust M Valery Giscard d'Estaing from the Elysée Palace, reports from the service showed the incumbent President was in trouble well before his support started ebbing in the polls.

Charles Pasqua, who doubles: as M Chirac's Interior Minister and chief campaign strategist, let it be known that his. figures showed M Mitterrand. was certain to be beaten.

He would say that, and the Mitterrand camp was predictably dismissive. Since then, we have not heard much



about this from any of the main camapign directors, M. Pasqua included. Those who compile the.

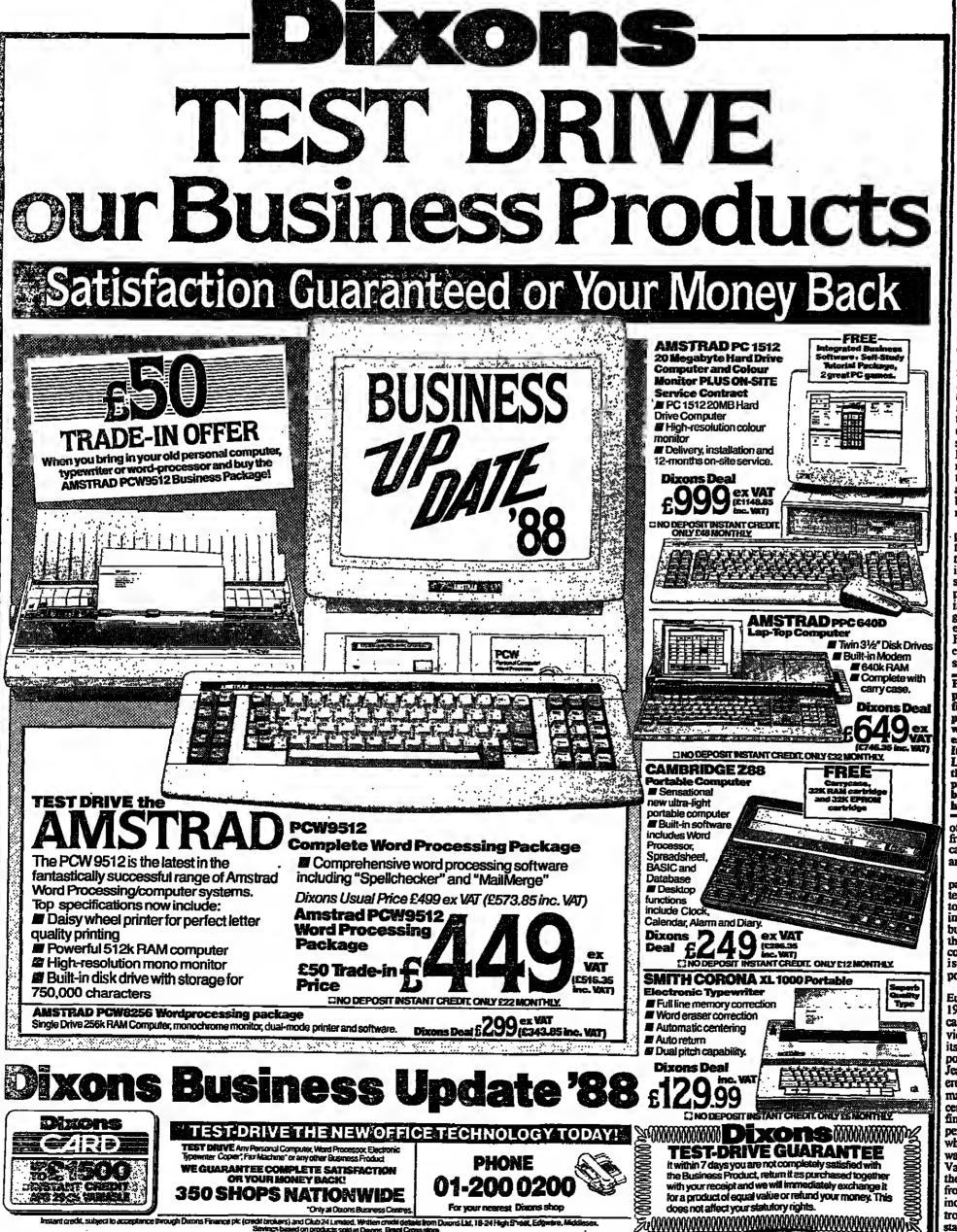
service sreports are an understandably wary group. Nn politician in the world welcomes figures showing that a rival is doing better. After that first prediction about the National Front's unexpected advance it is said that the figures were sent back for revision" - that is, suitable reduction - because the Socialist Government of the day would have refused to accept them. Nu wonder that an official

concerned with compiling the present Renseignements Généraux reports told Le Monde of his rule for presenting less than exhilarating returns to his political masters. You cannot be brutal Never say to the government, Your M Dupont is going to get beaten. Rather, that while M Dupont is not best placed to win, his personal dynamism could still do the trick."

With the prodigiously dy-namic M Jacques Chirac apparently beginning to make np some ground on M Mitterrand, that should be music for sore ears.

• Le Pen's price: M Jean-Marie Le Pen said the price of his backing another candidate in the final round of the presidential election would be the pursuit of a "French-first" policy of discrimination against Third World immigrants (Reuter reports).

If M Jacques Chirac reaches the final round, he will need a large part of M Le Pen's support M Le Pen will tell his supporters of his decision at a rally in Paris on May 1. He. said he would press for "national preference" policies



Palestinian uprising sours a joyous anniversary in the Jewish calendar

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le caid the Setenth in the set of of the nation has meant the death of so many, Israel has been at war throughout its existence. The precautions surrounding yesterday's events illustrate the necessary national fixation with security. In case one of Israel's enemies should have decided to time an air raid for precisely 11 am, when the sirens would not have alerted the people to danger, a special rising and falling signal would have sounded instead. The officer said the last said to the first said the last said to the factor of the whole there are said to the sa Security preoccupations, which have so dominated everyday life - particularly since the Palestinian unrest

erupted four months ago have somewhat soured the celebrations, which were meant to be a joyous recognition that the country was reaching maturity. The blue and white national flags are up in the streets and stretched over the rusted hulks of armoured cars, which are preserved as a national monu-

the annual two minutes' si-

fence in memory of the 16.450

Israelis who have died in the

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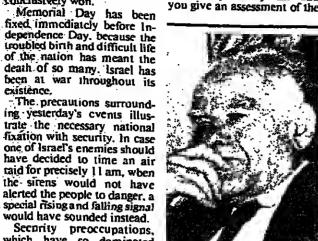
bushed in the Arab siege of Jerusalem 40 years ago. There will be dancing and picnicking in the parks today and fireworks almost every-where tonight. Orchestras will play, ethnic groups will put on folk displays, and the armed forces will enact a spectacular

ment where they were am-

40 years on, Israel still haunted by fears of war israel began its fortieth birth- blanks. This is likely to be the war for most of his adult life. day celebrations yesterday by most popular event of all. For sounded across the land for

favourite.

The first question Mr
Yitzhak Shamir, the Prime
Minister, was asked in a radio
interview yesterday was: "Can you give an assessment of the



Mr Shamir

The risk of war is ever present. The question is when?

risk of war?"

He replied: "The risk of war is ever present. The question is when? Will it be soon? Will it be in the distant future?" The answer was not all that

different from what David Ben-Gurion said soon after he declared Israel an independent state. He made his first radio broadcast from an airraid shelter in Tel Aviv as young soldiers. They see the Egyptian aircraft bombed the city. Mr Shamir gave his interview in relative safety in capture of the national foot- a very quiet Jerusalem, but his next century if it is not defused ball stadium with helicopters, answers showed a kind of now by a peace settlement exploding shells, smoke-bunker mentality, inevitable. They argue that the peace with screens and hundreds of in a leader who has been at Egypt proved that the right

going into mourning At despite Israel's many splendid do in order to keep war far achievements in science and away." he said. "Increase the arts, military shows are a security so that our deterrent power will prevent such a danger from drawing near. and secondly to work to achieve peace."

But even as he appealed to the Arabs to talk, the Army sealed off the Occupied Territories, virtually re-establishing the border between them and Israel which Mr Shamir and his followers would prefer to abolish altogether in order to create a country stretching from the river Jordan to the Mediterranean.

The army clampdown was imposed along with a curfew on all refugee camps in the West Bank and Gaza Strip in an attempt to stop Palestinian demonstrations marking the burial in Damascus of Khalil al-Wazir, the PLO leader known as Abu Jihad, assassinated in Tunis. The curiews are to continue

today and tomorrow to prevent the traditional protests over Independence Day and demonstrations against the deportation on Tuesday of eight more Palestinians. With the death toll in the past four months of those shot by Israeli troops now exceeding 150. there are no real signs that the unrest is diminishing.

Force, Mr Shamir said, is still the only way to deal with the unrest. His views are certainly not shared by many Israelis, who make full and vociferous use of their democratic rights to criticize him. They point to the occupation of the territories as brutalizing growth of the Arab population as a demographic timebomb which will explode early in the



concessions will win the recog- was unknown. Israeli democ- groups like Yesh Gvul, which nition Israel needs, so that it racy has weaknesses because can live inside secure borders instead of ceasefire lines.

It is, perhaps, Israel's main achievement that it has succeeded in creating a lively democracy despite the fact that the vast majnity of its original immigrants came from Arab or east European countries where democracy

minnrity views have dis- areas to the Palestinians. "We proportionate power. This find it sad and ludicrous when means that extremist views a people celebrates its own such as those of Rabbi Meir independence while simultaneously cruelly denying the Kahane, advocating expulsion of the Arabs, can be aired in independence of another peothe Knesset and gain a wider ple," the group said in a statement yesterday. audience than in a less demo-

The group will also be

At the other extreme are the picketing in support of seven

man up to the age of 50 is ready to give up a month a Israeli military supremacy is expensive to maintain. Despite American military aid of about £1 billion a year, the country still has to spend half its available money on de-

refusing to serve in the terri-tories. The majority of Israe-

lis, however, are prepared to serve anywhere. Almost every

fence. Military chiefs complain that there is still not enough cash for proper training and the best equipment Shortage of money forced the Government last year to can-cel development of the Lavi. one of the most sophisticated war planes ever designed.

It was one of the least sophisticated of all flying machines, a motorized hang-glider, which last November inflicted on the Israeli Army one of its worst psychological setbacks. When its Palesunian pilot landed from south Lebanon and killed six soldiers before he was shot down, he helped inspire the current unrest. "Six to one" has become a Palestinian slogan. More important, however, was the fact that one soldier ran away from the gunman. The idea that Israeli soldiers can be made to run has borne dangerous fruit.

Israeli youngsters, however, are not prone to run away. They tend to be self-assured and are often accused of arrogance. They are a new breed of Jew, the product of an independent state and not of the ghettos. Watching the trial of John Demjanjuk, accused of being "Ivan the Terrible". they were amazed that Jews would have meekly walked to a humiliating death. "They would never have made us do that," one youngster told israeli television. His generation is the main product of

Gang kills priest at **Zimbabwe** mission

Harare — A Roman Catholic missionary, Brother Killian Knoerl, aged 58, has been killed in Zimbabwe's Matabeletand province in the most serious violence since President Mugabe concluded a unity accord with the opposition Zapu on December 22 (Michael Hartnack writes). The gang injured another priest and stole money.

priest and stole money. The killing was on Tuesday night at Empandeni mission, the scene in 1985 of the murder of a headmaster, Mr Luke Khumalo, and his British wife, Jean.

Baltic dash

Hamburg (Reuter) - Two East German men, who said they were political refugees, pad-dled a rubber dinghy 35 miles across the Baltic to West

Relics found

L'Aquila, Italy (AFP) - The stolen bones and skull of Pope Celestine V, the 13th century hermit, have been recovered intact in a cemetery at Amatrice, near here.

Senegal trial

Abidjan, Ivory Coast (AP) -The Opposition leader, Mr Abdoulaye Wade, and several colleagues are to go on trial for inciting riots after losing the February 28 elections.

Mud deaths

Bingol, Turkey (AP) — Mudslides after five days of rain have killed 10 people in the village of Yeldegirmeni in this eastern province.

Rebel plea

Nairobi (AP) — Ethiopian rebels have urged the international community to stop aid to the Government, which they claim is planning to massacre civilians.

PLO chief misses funeral

Arafat visits Gadaffi as Abu Jihad is buried

Damascus (AFP) - Abu Ji- sources io Israel have said the day for his first meeting with ian leader, was buried yes-terday, afternoon at the Mr Farouk Kadde Yarmouk refugee camp ceme- head of the PLO's political tery south of the Syrian capital. The burial was not attended by Mr Yassir Arafat. the Palestine Liberation Organization chief, who was earlier reported to be in the

the Yarmouk compound to its burial site. The ceremony was attended by bis widow and children, his parents and seníor PLO leaders.

Earlier, three black limousines carrying Syrian officials led the funeral procession. An ambulance carrying Abu Jihad's body, and several other vehicles, followed the motorcade, with the dead man's family and Palestinian youths flashing victory signs.

The body of Abu Jihad, whose real name was Khalil al-Wazir, was transported from the Ash-Shifa bospital. Abu Jihad, the PLO's second in command, was assassinated in his Tunis villa early

on Saturday. Well-informed

had, the assassinated Palestin- killing was carried out by

. Mr Farouk Kaddoumi, the department, attended the funeral as did senior figures from several Arab countries, including Mr Marwan Doudin, the Jordanian Minister of

Libyan capital.

Abu Jihad's coffin was carried by various Palestinians at

Stockholm (Reuter) - Mr still in the Libyan capital, reports said.

Foreign Minister, is to boycott

Libya, Algeria and the ation today marking Israel's 40th anniversary, in protest against the assas ation of Abn Jihad, the PLO military commander. He was to have made the keywote speech to a gathering in Stockholm City Hall.

> Occupied Territories, and Mr Muhammad Sherif Messaadia, deputy leader of Algeria's ruling party. Reliable Palestinian sources

in Tunis, meanwhile, denied earlier reports that Mr Arafal was on his way to Damascus for the funeral from Tripoli, together with Colonel Gadaffi, the Libyan leader.

Mr Arafal arrived in the Libyan capital late on Tues-

Colonel Gadaffi since 1982, according to Mr Bassam Abu Sharif, a PLO spokesman.

The PLO leader wanted to travel to Damascus if he could hold talks with President Assad as well as attend the funeral, sources said. However, 90 minutes after the start of the funeral Mr Arafat was

Soviet Uoion have reportedly tried to convince Mr Arafat to embark on his first visit to Syria in five years.

Mr Arafat, along with other senior PLO officials, was expelled from Syria in 1983 after he had accused Damascus of supporting an internal rebellion within the organization's ranks. But Abu Jihad's burial here could open the way for a rapprochement between Syria and the PLO, sealed by a visit to Damascus by Mr Arafat,

analysts said. Damascus has demanded that the PLO break off its links with Egypt, support Syria's policies in the region and abandon its dialogue with Israeli pacifists.

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Defiant Noriega forces US to re-think failing policies From Christopher Thomas, Washington

has embarked on a sweeping re-evaluation of its tactics to bring down General Manuel Noriega, the Panamanian dictator, in the face of increasingly bitter disputes between senior officials at the White House, the State Department

and the Pentagon. The US Embassy in Panama, too, is embroiled in arguments with Washington about whether the Panamanian economy is being irreversibly damaged by US sanctioos. There is ao increasing sense that policy is failing in the face of General Noriega's ability to hang on to power.

Some US corporations with operations in Panama are warning that without some respite they may have to close. Since April 8 they have been banned by the Administration from paying taxes to the Noriega Government, putting them in danger of violating Panamanian law.

A senior State Department official has been in Panama to reassess US policy. Mr Michael Kozak, principal deputy to Mr Elliott Abrams, Assistant Secretary of State for Latin America, returned from Panama early this week with a bleak assessment of the chances of early success for the current strategy.

Many observers believe that General Noriega is capable of hanging on for some time in spite of the parlous state of the economy, brought about by American sanctions. A re-

Defence Forces after an abortive coup in March appears to have reduced the chances of further domestic military moves against him.

Both Mr Abrams and Mr George Shuitz, the Secretary of State, favour military steps to bring down General Noriega but, so far, President Reagan has accepted the advice of Mr Frank Carlucci, the Defence Secretary, who believes military intervention would inflict grievous damage on relations with the rest of Latin America.

immediate options appear to be to increase economic sanctions, or to ease the pressure in return for attempting to persuade General Noriega to leave the country. US drug charges against him could be dropped in a deal in which he would be offered safe passage into exile. Some officials have suggested



General Noriega: Ability to

The Reagan Administration shuffle in the Panamanian bringing in a mediator beama. President Arias of Costa Rica has been mentioned, but he is not favoured by hardliners like Mr Abrams.

President Reagan's latest economic sanctions have exasperated American firms who are trying to understand the complex rules. Some individuals are being allowed to pay electricity and telephone bills, while companies are told they must not do so.

A feeling that American policy is in turmoil was reinforced by the reopening of foreign and Panamanian banks on Thesday, although they are only accepting depos-its. Only a small amount of money is being deposited but even that should help the Government meet its payroll for a little longer.

Señor Eric Delvalle, who is recognized by the US as the President of Panama, said in an interview from his hideout that he would welcome military action by the Panamanian forces or a multinational force, but not by the US.

Former President Jimmy Carter, the architect of the Panama Canal treaties, criticized President Reagan's policies towards Panama.

"Ultimately, Noriega is more likely to give up his authority as a result of unpubheized pressures and enticements than through public challenges and sustained punishment of the citizens of his country, be said.

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Wages of poll tax non-payers may be attached

People who fail to pay the community charge face the prospect of having the money taken directly from their wages, Mr Michael Howard, Minister for Local Government, made clear when MPs embarked on the third day of the report stage of the Local Government Finance Bill.

The Government was warned by a Labour MP that there would be a campaign of disrup-tion against collecting the tax in Liverpool. But any such pro-posal was rejected by Labour's spokesman. He said that such a campaign would be a non-

Mr Howard moved a Government amendment setting out in detail the arrangements for recovering unpaid charges.

He said that the enforcement arrangements for the rates would be carried over to the new system with one important difference. The charging authorities would be able to "attach" or take directly from the person's earnings unpaid community

He was sure that the great majority of people would pay the community charge just as they paid the rates at present.

Opposition amendments sought to remove the power to commit to prison for refusal to pay. Committal was not widely used. Fewer rthan 400 people had been committed for nonpayment of rates in 1986.

"I am confident that considerably fewer will be committed after 1990 because instalments, direct payment methods and obligatory reminders will reduce the need to pursue arrears through the courts and because attachment of earnings will make it much more difficult to

Committal had proved an effective final sanction over the years under the present system. Without it, local authorities would face a far harder task in collecting from those few people who persistenly refused to meet their financial obligations. Those who operated the system recognized its value as a last

It would be quite wrong if people whose benefits were increased to help them to pay

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being subject to the same sanc-tions as those in employment. Mr Terence Flelds (Liver-pool, Broadgreen, Lah) said that activists in Liverpool would be campaigning to undermine the poll tax. They would be advocating that Liverpool City Council should refuse to implement the community charge. They would campaign on the

was doing to working people. Mr Howard said that this was a most important matter which the people of Liverpool would no doubt take account of in the

estates and places of work to try-to offset what the Government

Mr Jeffrey Rooker, an Opposition spokesman on the environment, said that it was a fundamental misconception to think that local authorities could decide how to collect the

It was OK for individual Labour MPs or councillors to advocate any policy they liked in a democracy. But the idea that a policy of non-collection, non-administration or slowing down of collection could be carried out by a council was a non-starter because the council was not the body empowered to collect the poil tax.

The body, indeed the person, was the local authority treasurer. The whole swathe of collection powers went not to the authority but to the

The idea of councillors or party members advocating a campaign of oun-payment or slowing down of collection which would lead directly to either attachment of earnings, distress warrants or prison and then going back to those same electors who have suffered attachment, distress or prison and asking them to vote Labour would be seen as a non-starter.

This was because the local authority was in no position to carry out the mandate which was advocated by non-collec-tion or slowing down. It was a fundamental misconception to think the local authority was in

Mr Fields intervened to say that in Liverpool the local authority workforce had taken a conscious decision not to com-ply with government demands. There was still massive support

Ridley warning for the Lords

ENVIRONMENT

Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment ition to salvage or save its employees. It was being taken completely out of the hands of said he hoped that the Lords change the principle of the community charge which had been approved by the electorate.

authority would not be a pos-

Labour MPs had got to get into their minds that it would be

no good asking the local authority to be a long stop because the local authority

manpower or materials because he could get these resources from the Government. He was

not responsible to the local

Mr Harry Cohen (Leyton, Lab) intervened to say that the logic of Mr Rooker's remarks was that councils should say to their treasurers: We are not going to give you any resources because the Government can give you these resources. Go to the Consequence and out them.

the Government and get them.

Mr Rocker said that the Government would not give the

treasurers any extra money. The Government would subvent the

He wanted clarification of the

right to pay poll tax by instal-ments. Most people at the moment paid their annual rates in two instalments, but there

would be a gigantic increase in

the number of people wishing to pay their poll tax in instalments.

A local authority treasurer

might decide for himself, with-out the authority of his council,

that he was going to have personal identity numbers made

up from a person's date of birth

If people said they would give

their name and address and promised to pay the poll tax but

refused to give any further

details because they believed such identity numbers to be unnecessary, they could be fined £50 by the treasurer without having the chance to argue the

case in court.
Mr Edward Leigh (Gainsborough and Horncastle, C) asked Mr Rooker if be would dissociate himself on behalf of

the Labour Party from the policy of civil disobience advocated by Mr Fields.

Mr Rooker: We have made it

clear that we are in favour of-obeying the law, a law which we, oppose and will repeal at the first opportunity and a law

whose implementation we are not going to co-operate in.

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authority's own money.

able to cope?

and their initials.

would not have the powers. Councillors would not be able to sack the treasurer, or tell him to slow down, or deprive him of

the local authority.

Proposals for the charge had been set out clearly in the election manifesto on the basis of which the Government had been elected with a majority of 101 over all other parties.

Mr John McAllion (Dundee East, Lab) asked Mr Ridley to reflect on the Conservative Party's manifesto pledge to replac rates with a fairer system of local

It was a constitutional reality that, since Mr Ridley had been unable to convince his own backbenchers that the poll tax was fairer than rates, the Lords would be perfectly justified in amending it to reflect not the embattled minority in Downing. Street but the real majority in Control of the real majority in t England, Scotland and Wales

Mr Ridley said that the manifesto on which the Conser-vatives fought the election last year had set out clearly every aspect of the Government's proposals in relation to the community charge.

Mr Rebin Squire (Hornchurch, C) asked whether, when looking at the majority who were not eligible for rebates, it was fair that the poorest should pay the same as the richest.

Mr Ridley said that the poorest would not pay the same as the richest because of the extensive and expanded system.

Dr John Cmmingham, Opposition spokesman for the environment, asked how Mr Ridley squared his determination to plough ahead with a flat-rate poll tax with the responses given that day hy Mr Douglas Hurd, Home Secretary, and Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister of Trade and Industry - in Westminster Abbey in response to a question from the Archbishop of Canterbury launching the Church Urban Fund - To share our wealth with those in the inner cities who are poor, powerless and disadvantaged and to help them to build a new future for themselves and for us all". How did Mr Ridley square that with the poll tax? (Labour

Mr Ridley: By not imposing (the suggested Labour policy of) capital value rating and local income tax (Conservative part'. "That is not a matter for

Zola Budd row

Archbishop Runcie and Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, at Westminster Abbey yesterday for a service to lan Church Urban Fund, which is intended to help the poor in Britain's cities (Photograph: John Manning)

The controversy surrounded the runner Zola Budd and demands that she should be banned from competition for 12 months hmught some heated clashes during Commons questions about sport in the inner cities.

Mr Tom Pendry (Stalybridge and Hyde, Lab) asked Mr Cohn Moynihan, Minister for Sport, to discuss with the Sports Council chairman the poor provision for athletics in the inner cities "which must have been a contributory factor in the im-portation of the South African-born runner Zota Budd who acquired British nationality to qualify for the Olympic Games'

He asked Mr Moynihan to stand up for British athletes. many from the inner cities, who had toiled hard to qualify for the Seoul Olympics, and to back the international Amateur Athletics Federation decision. Would Mr Moynihan stand as

firmly behind that decision "as when he defied the Thatcher boycott of the Olympic Games in 1980". Mr Moynihan said that the

British Amateur Athletics Board had upheld the Gleneagles Agreement. The specific issue for the board's consideration was the interpretation of 'taking

Mr John Cartisle (Luton North, C) said that the Sports Conneil and the BAAB had done admirable work in the inner cities. But the reputation for both these organizations would be greatly enhanced if they stood firm on the rejection of the proposals of the IAAF to ban Zola Budd. Many British athletes would support the

Miss Diane Abbott (Hackney North and Stoke Newington, Lab): Zola Budd, far from being a poor little girl, as one Tory MP has referred to her, is a walking. talking, running, public-rela-tions stunt for apartheid in Southern Africa, and it will be a slap in the face for hundreds of black athletes who run for Britain and for the Commonwealth if this Government is not seen to support the letter and the spirit of the Gleneagles Agreement on the matter.

Mr Moynihan: I strongly disagree with her personal view

The Government was committed, along with Commonwealth countries, to uphold the Gleneagles Agreement, and that had nothing to do with the specific decision that the BAAB would have to face when it met

Mr Nicholas Winterton (C) said that no good would be done for government.

for sport in inner cities or anywhere else in the United Kingdom, or throughout the world, "if an innocent, talented young athlete — (Labour inter-ruptions) — is treated in the most disgraceful way by any international board when she has committed no offence at

Mr Denis Howell, Opposition spokesman on sport, said that Mr Moynihan should ensure, in any discussions on Zola Budd's case, that he did not repeat the Government's "tragic mis-takes" of 1980 over the Moscow Olympics. That had "alienated sporting opinion from this country ever since".

The IAAF had an absolute duty to protect sport from any taint of apartheid. The Government itself had a duty to protect the right of every other British sportsman and sportswoman to ake advantage of this year's Olympic Games.

Mir Moynihan said that decisions on the matter were for the governing bodies, and that view should be shared on both sides of the House.

"We have to wait and see the outcome of the meeting of the BAAB on Sunday and take a decision then to see whether or not, so far as Gleneagles is concerned, it becomes a matter

Hogg lists killer's property

A list of the property recovered from Michael Ryan's body and his car last August after the Hungerford shootings was given to the turn one in written replies by Mr Douglas Hogg, Under Secretary of State, Home Office.

Replying to more than 20 questions by Mr William Ross (Londonderry East, OUP), Mr Hogg said that at the school where he died, police recovered spent cartridge cases and bullets, a Beretta pistol and a pair of handcuffs.

Ryan's car contained mmunition, spent and live; body armour; a gas mask; woollen balaclava; water bot-tle; survival kit; waterproof jacket; camonflage trousers; cotion over-frou-sers; waterproof poncho; and two haversacks.

Ryan had authority to possess a 9mm pistol and a .38 revolver. He also had authority to possess a maximum at any one time 500 .32, 7.62mm and .30 cali-

EEC jobs A further five million jobs

could be created within the EEC by the single internal market by 1992, Lord Young of Graffham, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said during questions.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Questions: Home Office; Prime Minister. Local Government Finance Bill, report, fourth day. Lords (3): Regional

Development Grants (Termination) Bill, Public Utility Transfers and Water Charges Bill, and Immigration Bill, third readings. Debate on investment in

the Airbus. Correction

In the list of Conservative MPs who voted in favour of an amendment to the Health and Medicines Bill against the charging of fees for NHS eye tests (reported in later editions on April 15), the name of Sir Philip Goodhart (Beckenham) should have appeared, instead of that of Mr Alastair Goodlad (Eddisbury).

Ezra's scheme for London traffic

A minister should be put in charge of London traffic, and a co-ordinated five-point plan adopted to tackle the growing congestion in the capital's streets, Lord Ezra (SLD), said during a Lords debate on transport.

Many peers voiced concern about the state of London's roads and also the effect of the deregulation of bus services.

Lord Ezra said that the average speed of traffic in London was 12 mph, dropping to 8 mph in central London. Those speeds were progressively diminishing.

It had been estimated that by 2001, 52 per cent of those living and working in London would use their cars, compared to 35 per cent in 1981. The cost of ning at about £3 billion a year.

The trouble needed a coordinated, concerted approach. From reports and the recent articles in The Times, the sol-

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clear.

 better roads; increase in coaches.

Lord Teviot (C), a former bus driver, said that since the deregulation of bus services, which many hoped would improve services, the number of passengers had fallen by between 10 and 15 per cent outside London. Good public transport could

utions needed were becoming

A five-point plan for Lon-don's traffic should be aimed at: Effective enforcement of parking rules, including re-straints on cars coming into improved traffic management

 better public transport; and a policy to cope with the

do much to overcome traffic congestion; for instance, one bus could replace 40 cars.

Planning appeal 'risk' ENVIRONMENT need. It is true that the kind of

ho wanted to build private housing overloading the system with appeals, most of which would be rejected, Mr William Waldegrave, Minister of State, Environment, said during question time.

He said that the success rate for planning appeals against decisions on residential development was much lower than for other kinds of development, and developers should be aware Mr Robert Adley (Christ-

church, C) had asked for legisla-tion to repeal those parts of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, that gave a planning presumption in favour of the developer, but Mr Waldegrave rejected that request. Mr Adley: Planning needs and environmental attitudes have changed fundamentally since the days of war-ravaged Britain

if the minister accepts that, planning law today should meet the requirements of today and

evening instructing their child-

was overstretched, so inevitably a greater responsibility in preparing the young for the moral choices in life was placed

Lord Carlisle of Bucklow (C).

a former Secretary of State for Education, in a maiden speech,

said that he had difficulty in

seeing how opting out of the

malevolence and benevolence

of local education authorities

and opting in to the malevo-

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Department of Education and

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Mr Adley: Attitudes have changed fundamentally particularly should take account of the fact that parts of the country are suffering overdevelopment, not under-devel-apment (Conservative cheers).

Mr Waldegrave: The 1947

permission unless there are important reasons against. Since then we have drawn the attention of inspectors to the im-portance of taking account of up-to-date plans. Mr Andrew MacKay (East Berkshire, C): In areas of excessive development such as Berk-shire, the democratically elected

emphasizing the importance of

getting planning applications agreed and reminding authori-

ties that they must always grant

representatives on local authorities resent the many appeals granted to developers which give the clear impression that there is a presumption in favour

Mr Waldegrave: There is. That is the basis of the system. The British system is that people can do what they like with their property so long as an important interest is not damaged thereby.

Minister queried on land sales housing. That was why the

requirements change from time A total of 2,558 acres of surplus land, which had been passed to the Property Services Agency for disposal, remained unsold after 12 months, but the PSA had been selling land at the rate of 2,200 acres a year for the past four years, Mr Christopher Chope, Under Secretary of State for the Environment, said during questions.

He was replying to Mr John Bowis (Battersea, C), who hoped that the minister could persuade the PSA sell the land more Mr David Nicholson (Taun-

ton, C) said that it was paradoxical that there was controversy over housing developments on "Green Belt" sites while in the West Midlands and Greater Marchester there were vast tracts of develict land.

Mr Chope said that he shared Mr Nicholson's frustration at the amount of under-used land that could be brought into development, particularly for

Government gave priority to the disposal of its own land quickly. Mr Chope rejected allegations during question time that the Government was failing to take account of the interests of staff in its plans to privatize the Crown Suppliers. He said that when he had met

members of the workforce, they had recognized that he was taking close account of their

Mr Tam Dalyell (Linlithgow Lah) asked bow the public interest was to be taken into account in the privatization of the Crown Suppliers and how severance pay and pensions were to be guaranteed.

Mr Chope said that the public interest would always be taken into account in any privatization project. Accrued pension rights would be protected, or transferred to the new scheme if an amendment to the

Academics 'will not suffer because of their views'

Concessions promised to help staff

The following report of a Lords debate on the Education Reform Bill appeared in later editions The Government promised

further concessions in the Bill to prevent the victimization of cademic staff because of their Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, sought to assure peers that the Government believed that academic freedom was a vital element in

the higher education system. Many peers taking part in the second day of the Bill's second reading debate, however, spoke of the dangers of the provisions to the independence of Britain's

Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C) said that it should be possible for schools which had opted out to opting in or out regularly would

Viscount Eccles (C), a former Minister of Education, said that under the Bill, every child's progress would be monitored and on child would be forgotten, and that alone was reason to

support it. Lord Home of the Hirsel (C), former Prime Minister, said that the national curriculum was overdue if children were to become useful and responsible citizens of an increasingly educated democracy.

If the curriculum and core subjects were well taught and enjoyed and children's knowledge regularly tested, the young would be provided with a better

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Hooper: Place of classics not threatened

own actions and the behaviour

"The permissive society was

not the happiest or most creditable interlude in our national story. We are paying a heavy penalty of indiscipline and

crime and violence which derived from that period. "I hope that many have learnt the lesson that in community life, in the profession of politics or business or any activity of life, for example on the football-field or the cricket field, morals and manners matter." Most mothers worked and it was unreasonable, at the end of a long working day, to expect them to be able to spend the

springboard for a career than at

Over the century preceding the Second World War each generation had been taught by mother, schoolmaster and minister of religion about the Christian code of values. That had not produced a nation of saints. "But at least boys and girls, when they went into the world outside, had a yardstick hy which they could measure their

Some time after the war it became fashionable to question nearly all moral values, dis-ciplines and restraints associated with the Christian code of

would necessarily improve the standard of education. When he had decided in 1980 to maintain the single unitary authority for education in inner London, two matters had weighed with him most of all: his belief that some of the weaker authorities did not have adequate capacity to take over responsibility for education and have on further, adult and continuing education in

London. "Clearly that decision now to wind up Ilea has been taken and I believe thought will have to be those boroughs are to be run." Lord St John of Fawsley (C)

said that he enthusiastically and wholeheartedly supported the principles of the Bill. Opting out might be inconvenient for a local authority and for the Roman Catholic diocesan hishops. But he was tempted to say: "So what?" Schools existed for children and

not children for schools. He made a plea for a greater concentration on the classics. To be cut off from Greek is bad enough, but if we are to cut out Latin as well through which we have access to Greek civiliza-tion then we will be cut off from our cultural roots."

Education was not a part of economics. The phrase "pro-ducers of education" made him cation" made him shudder. The use of these phrases was a new form of barbarism. Lady Hooper, Under Sec-retary of State for Education,

said that the national curricu-

Latin or Greek because there

would be sufficient flexibility to

lum did not threaten the place of

allow schools to continue to offer the classics to some or all The Bill was read a second

The following report of the Commons debate on the report stage of the Local Government Finance Bill appeared in later editions yesterday. A further Conservative back-

bench move to lessen the impact of the community charge on the less well off was made when the report stage was resumed. After debate, however, the proposal was dropped without a division, the main sponsor saying that be would rely on the

House of Lords for help. A move by the Democrats to exempt student nurses from the charge and thus bring them into line with other students, was rejected by a majority of 89. Mr Patrick Cormack (South

Staffordshire, C) moved two

new clauses to exempt from the

community charge those over 80 and those on income support. He said that he had never voted in favour of the commu-nity charge, nor would he, but the task now for those who opposed it was to remove its sting, try to make it fairer and to remove those aspects that

caused most concern.

Mr Michael Howard, Minister for Local Government: Widespread exemptions are counterproductive because they reduce the number of people who pay and further erode local accountability. It is imperative that the number of exemptions is kept to a minimum.

He said that the right way to give help was through rebates. Even those with maximum rebate would make a small contribution to services and the ability would be preserved.

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POLL TAX

He promised to consider a Labour request to extend exemptions to cover prisoners on remand.

The Government did not believe it right to exempt the physically handicapped. It would be demeaning to suggest that, because someone was physically handicapped, be or she could not play a full part in the country of the second part of the second widening the accountability which the community charge would bring.

Mr Simon Haghes, SLD spokesman on local govern-ment, said that if there was a fair system there would be no need continually to be seeking to add further categories of exemption. Not only student nurses should be exempt, but also everyone in training. It was absured to expect the homeless

asking those sleeping in door-ways and in the subways to pay the charge. Mr Ralph Howell (North Norfolk, C) said that the Gov-ernment should introduce a supplement to VAT of about 6 per cent. It would be painless and would mean the end of the existing silly rating system and of the silly system being

to pay. Inspectors would be

Mr Cormack said that he was content to look to the Lords for help and to allow his amendments to be negatived. The amendments were nega-

Dr John Cassingham, chief

Opposition spokesman on the environment, moved the first of a group of amendments dealing with data protection, to allow a

Student nurse plan defeated

reasonably require in connection with his functions. He said that many people objected to personal information relating to them being collected and held. Mr. Howard said that the Government's intention was ex-

registration officer to seek only

such information as he might

actly the same as that of the Opposition: that registration officials should not be permitted to ask for information other than that which they needed. The amendment was rejected by 331 votes to 220 - Government majority, 111.

Mr Matthew Taylor (Truro, SLD) moved an amendment adding nurses in full-time nursing education to the list of students receiving relief from the community charge. He said that some student nurses would have to pay as much as 15 per cent of their

Mr Rebert Rhodes James (Cambridge, C) said that it was impossible to argue that there was a difference between university students and student nurses. "How can the minister expect me, a supporter of the Bill, to go to my constituents and say that

my university students will have maximum rebate but my student nurses will not? I am not going to do it." Mr David Wilshire (Spel-thorne, C) said that he would prefer there to be on exemptions

Sir George Young (Eating, Acton, C) said that be supported the amendment because it would put right at least one injustice.

Mr Michael Howard said that the average earnings of a student nurse were £5,000 to £6,000 a year: two-and-a-half to three times the student grant. If special treatment were accorded to them, it would be difficult to refuse it to police cadets, trainee accountants and even pupil

Student nurses would be eli-ible for consideration for rebates in the same way as anyone

The amendment was rejected by 232 votes to 321 - Government majority, 89. Miss Jo Richardson, chief.

Opposition spokesman on women's affairs, moved an Opposition amendment to remove the clause making husbands and wives jointly responsible for each ather's roll. sponsible for each other's poll-Mrs Maria Fyfe (Glasgow, Maryhill, Lab) said that heterosexual couples would be responsible for each other's poll tax,

but homosexual couples would not. The Government could be

seen as promoting homosex-Mr Christopher Chope: Under Secretary of State for the Environment, said that the rate bill remained the same if a husband left the household but under the Bill the community charge would be reduced.

The amendment was rejected by 325 votes to 220 — Government majority, 105.

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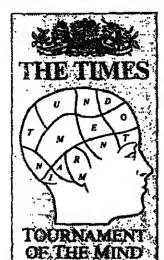
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Tournament of the Mind



• Famous Five take up the challenge of one

Linton Village College, near Cambridge, the last of our featured schools among The Times Tournament of the Mind finalists, has the distinction of baving reached this stage of the competition with a team of half the standard number of 10.

The other difference from its fellow competing schools is that the idea of entering came not from a teacher, but from Stephen Hedge, a fifth-form pupil. He took a copy of *The Times* to school one morning, and having declared his intention to enter the tournament on his own, soon found others taking an

interest in the questions. "We convinced him that not only would we have a better chance if several of us joined forces," says his teacher, Charles Gilderdale, "but also that it would be very much for the good of the school."

Hedge, who like his four partners numbers mathematics and English among his best subjects, did have the consolation of being elected team leader. "We only had one fear," Gilderdale says, "and that was that the questions in the final would be getting as head as they did in lest week's as hard as they did in last week's

SCHOOLS' FINAL - ROUND FOUR

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The following diagram is a strange dartboard. Using five darts at a time you must discover how many different ways there are of scoring

100 120 a total of 500. Each dart 250 80 200 400 40 50 60

must score and once you have used a combination of numbers it may not be used again in a different order.

The groups of letters which follow are jumbled words. Unscramble them and discover the most obvious odd one out."

CHUBRUS CUBEKEY CLABIEM RAMSOAG * Reference sources other than Cultins English Dictionary have been used. 3 MATHS

You have just received a tax rebate but the cashler has made a mistake. He has written the figure which should be for pounds in the pence section and the figure for pence in the pounds section. If gives you quite a bit more cash so you go and spend £3.78. You check your change and to your surprise discover that you now have exactly five times what you were entitled to receive in the first place. How much ought you to have received from the Inland Revenue?

4 MISCELLANEOUS

If IVY equals 5, VEX equals 50 and VICE equals 500, what does MIMIC GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Zeus?

1. To which family of plants does the corpse plant belong?

2. Which principal Hindu god of the Vedic period has a strange similarity with the Greek god,

3. Which German poet's werks were inspired by his thwarted love for Elsabe Niehusen?

4. Which creatures of folklore were supposedly used as servants and brought to life by rabbis?

5. Which English country house was rebuilt for Sir John Thynne?

A frightening power to enthral

ren that any in-offensive school-misuress or dear old lady might be a witch in disguise, bent on destroying

a child a week; or that the spectacle of auots crushed flat under a giant peach is one to inspire joy? A man who depicts poachers as nicer than gamekeepers, is constitutionally oo the side of the fox against the chicken farmer, and gleefully fits Goldilocks out in dirty shoes:

"... upon the heel of one Was something that a dog had

Matilda, the heroine of his latest book, published today, chooses to part from her mother and father for ever without a qualm (admittedly, they are frightful parents), and inflicts terminal humiliation on her school head. Roald Dahi's books assert that revenge is sweet and existence an alternation of scarcely governable terror, hatred and bliss. We might lock his unruly manifestos away from our impressionable youngsters, but instead we troop out and buy them in carrloads.

He is easily the best-selling living children's writer in Britain. The US paperback rights for his carlier books were recently re-newed with an advance of \$1.3 million, and the recent first printing of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory in China had an initial print run of two million.

He proudly spread out for me yesterday a superb alhum of drawings sent to him by a school Dahl in Catalan. The letters that arrive from all over the world are a source of great satisfaction to him, and he and his full-time secretary go to a great deal of trouble to reply in the appropriate spirit.

He has a great fellow-feeling for leachers, and teases them robustly in his replies, as in his books. "This book shows how good the teacher must have been. The best teachers are in Australia, I find. They're pretty damo good in the USA. I'm afraid I can't put Britain at the top of the list." His new book is, among other things, an uncharacteristically clear parable of his views about education.

His spell transcends language and nationality. He has a greater influence on the attitudes of

Who is this man who tells our childcould ever dream of. He is a Pied Piper, the sound of his pipe is subver-sive and irresistible, ROALD DAHL and we Hamelin parents would do well to consider the uses to which he puts his Garden, the only real classic which

immense power. It is frightening to consider how addictive children are in their reading. Certain writers seem to strike a chord, and can go on repeating it almost indefinitely. Critics are apt to mistrust this. Even commentators who have a high regard for Dahl's qualities as a storyteller feel impelled to stress that their admiration is this side idolatry: "The craze for Dahl has overtaken the craze for Blyton," says Brian Alderson, The Times children's books reviewer and one of the panel who selected our own receot list of books every child should read. "He writes too fast, in my view. Two generations hence, I very much doubt if he will be

Since Charlie is still going strong after 30 years, this is a judgment which remains to be proved. ahl, a charming man

who revels in celebrity and considers it no more than his due, snorts scornfully at the reservations of the "London Mafia": "Poor old A.A. Milne is getting dated — it's the bloody namy — though I still see how good they are. But my books are mostly fantasy, which doesn't

Last month, after our list of printed a list of the books schoolchildren actually huy. Most panel members selected one Dahl volume or another, but they named different ones out of his protean output, and only one title reached the final list. In the children's own list, he bestrides the sections for all ages like a colossus.

A writer who appeals both to critics and to children on this scale plainly has more to him than a self-repeating Blyton. The variety of his output is prodigious, even if one leaves aside his polished and waspish short stories for adults, which reached a large audience through the television series Tales of the Unexpected.

He has no high opinion of critics, or of modern writing for

both children and adults. "When I The quality which sometimes saw The Times's first list, I thought, 'ho, ho, I know better adult stories (he trained in the rarefied school of The New Yorker, and counts Hemingway as his than that! An awful lot of rubbish is published today - most of it lacking what all the real children's master) imposes a rigorous organization on his children's classics have, which is humour. books. Each goes through many Look at The Wind in the Willows . . . Beatrix Potter, in her quiet way ... and The Secret

succeeds without humour, al-

though I don't know how."

"He has a very strong practical imagination," says Quentio Blake, who has collaborated with him as illustrator for 10 years, and has

illustrated Matilda. "Sometimes I've done a nice decorative pic-ture, and he's wanted me to show more clearly what's happening, and how it works. He is very concerned that his books are attractive to read - he takes a close interest in the size of the type, and so on. He once said that if he weren't a writer, he'd be a doctor, which is connected with the practicality, I think."

When his son was very ill. Dahl helped design a valve for relieving fluid pressure io the skull: doctors still call it the Wade-Dahl-Till either. "I make my points by exaggerating wildly. That's the only way to get through to children: they're not subtle. If a couple of parents ever existed as bad as those in Matilda, she would be right to run away. But quite a lot of parents are, say, 10 per cent as bad. If they read the story to their children, they might get a little shock."

The underlying pattern of his books is not so much cruelty, as the triumph of the underdog. It is stamped on his mind that children are generically victims, and adults

accident as a baby. His first wife, Patricia Neal, suffered a catastrophic stroke, and was restored to health by years of devoted nursing. His life has been punctuated by plane crashes, illnesses,

surgery, and bereavements.

His face has the lugubrious,
punch-drunk expression of a
white-faced circus clown. He is a deeply-rooted man who has lived for 35 years in the same white house in Buckinghamshire, and can only write wrapped up in a cocoon of rituals in a Shavian shack in the garden, out of earshot of children, using a pencil with a

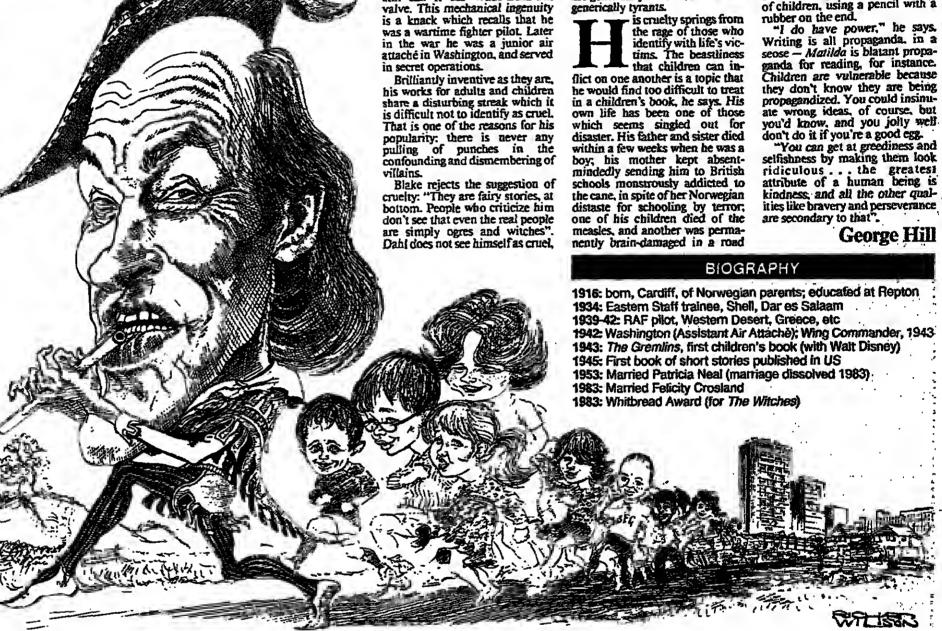
"I do have power," he says.
Writing is all propaganda, in a
seose — Matilda is blatant propaganda for reading, for instance. Children are vulnerable because they don't know they are being propagandized. You could insinu-

You can get at greediness and selfishness by making them look ridiculous . . . the greatest attribute of a human being is kindness, and all the other qualities like bravery and perseverance are secondary to that".

George Hill

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Tomorrow: are British inventors doomed for ever to be the bright sparks who light the way for astute foreign companies? We look at the business of good ideas



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Philip Mould is unique in the art market. Like the Lord High Executioner in Gilbert and Sullivan's Mikado, he has "got a little list". But far from containing people who "never would be missed", it is a Who's Who of 1,500 historical figures whom his clients would dearly like to bang on their walls. Other dealers start with the artist, and seek out their work; Mould starts with the subject, then looks for a buyer. He has just opened his own gallery, Historical Portraits, in Old Bond Street.

Samuel Johnson is on his list many times over, in demand among the growing band of neo-Georgians; so is Major-General John Burgoyne, an 18th-century commander in India, and other military heroes. Oxford and Cambridge colleges are clamoaring for dead dons; there is a request for Charles II by an illegitimate descendant.

Mould started as a dealer



A weekly look at the art world

"It became like a missing persons list. I had dozens of letters from ladies saying things like '40 years ago my family used to have a portrait in the dining room, and now it's lost. Can you find it?"

specific, famous faces. Rethree years ago by huying up search takes place in the maknown squires, but soon archives of the National Porrealized that it was a mistake trait Gallery as well as mili-

tary museums (for clues about uniforms), country church reg-isters and provincial libraries. "It's rather like working from

a police photofit."

For his opening gallery display Mould has a wide variety of faces, including a newly discovered picture of Sir Richard Arkwright, inventor of the Spinning Jenny, by Joseph Wright of Derby. Another is of the author Jonathan Swift. An anonymous, scribbled drawing of a man standing beside a restaurant, and inscribed "A mon ami, Hem", is probably of Ernest Hemingway, although so far Mould and Sotheby's have been unable to find

absolute proof.

One remaining headache for Mould, in an otherwise perfect monopoly, is the constant surfacing of cliched images. "I see one portrait a month described as Lord Byron; any swish 17th-century cavalier is Prince Rapert of the Rhine. Then there are all those fatnecked Hanoverians that no

Living in the past, and at a profit

To judge from its title and masthead design. the new weekly magazine Times Past could well have been published by this newspaper. In fact, buoyed up by £1 million-worth of advertising and with a big print-run of 500,000, it is published by Marshall Cavendish, and is the latest manifestation of the antiques boom.

The magazine takes its readers through a succession of period rooms, from Georgian to art deco, explaining the historic function and present-day value of their contents; and as long as you can accept a certain tweeness in presentation it is full of interesting details and ins on what to look out for.

Tony Curtis, editor of the annual Lyle Antiques Review and consultant to the new magazine, points out that antiques have a double advantage, being investments you can use and enjoy. You spend £1,000 on a new three-piece suite, and as sooo as you walk out of the shop it is worth £250. If you spend the same amount on a Victorian suite, you can get at least £800 from a dealer immediately afterwards. If you keep it for five years you will

get two grand." The only problem is that as the nation awakes to its times past it is turning its back on its times present and future. Who is making, and collecting, the antiques of the future?

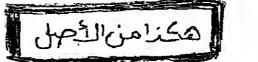


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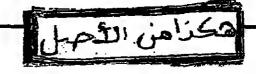
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HEALTH



Putting sex abuse to the test

The storm rages on over the use of the reflex anal dilatation test in suspected child abuse. Below David Nicholson-Lord

reports on strong new criticism, and Ian Smith talks to RAD's first exponents

he best medical opinion is united in its view that reflex anal dilatation (RAD), the controversial test used by doctors in Cleveland and Leeds, is worthless in diagnosing child sexual abuse, according to new evidence.

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A survey of 42 leading coloproctologists, or experts in bowel disease, including the fore-most authorities in the country, has failed to find one who believed RAD was diagnostic of anal abuse. More than four-fifths of those questioned believed it was present in normal children during various stages of their life - when they were constipated, for instance.

Bill Heald, head of the colorectal research unit at Basingstoke District Hospital and president of the Royal Society of Medicine's surgery section, who organized the survey, believes that experts should reassess each alleged case of child abuse, on the grounds that the medical evidence was "truly valueless".

"It is simply not possible for a doctor looking at the perineum of a child to know whether buggery has taken place except in those rare instances where

say that medical evidence, as the starting point of an investigation,

is quite without value." The survey found only four doctors who thought that RAD could occur in a child who had been abused. However, these respondents believed that this was insufficient evidence of abuse on its own, and said they had also seen

RAD in unabused children. The significance of the survey, the first of its type, is that it was conducted among specialists who carry out regular anal and rectal examinations of their patients and see many types of abuse. Although there are between 300 and 500 Heald rejects criticism that it is

"It is incomplete because I do oot have the resources to do a MORI poil," he says. "But it simply underpins with some oumbers what I have confirmed by discussing the subject with a very large number of the most distinguished brains in the

One of the world's leading authorities on bowel disease, who is unwilling to be named, has told Heald he is "filled with alarm at the

manie way io which these two Cleveland paediatricians [Marietta Higgs and Geoffrey Wyatt] have been diagnosing anal sexual abuse oo the basis just of a quick look at the anal region".

Heald says neurologists also dispute the biological logic of RAD. Its proponents claim that the bowel muscle dilates — in other words, relaxes — in anticipation of a painful experience. But even though this might be the best way of dealing with paio, most muscles actually contract and go into tight spasm at the prospect. This aspect of RAD is "without parallel in buman neurophysiology".

Another factor which may have deceived the Cleveland and Leeds

doctors is that at any given moment oormal children often have a stool in their rectum, and the reflex dilation which allows this to be passed out is easy to trigger. Yet the proponents of RAD do not perform regal examinations to check whether a stool is present.

Heald's involvement in the controversy began when be was prevailed upoo by a solicitor representing one of the Cleveland families to appear oo their behalf in

frank injury is apparent," he says. "Almost certainly it is true to as a starting point 'Medical evidence court. He has also given evidence at the Butler-Sloss inquiry. He beis without value' lieves that events in Cleveland and Leeds bear all the

marks of a modern version of witchcraft - the invention of a novel set of telltale signs, hitherto unknown to experienced practitioners, which only the initiated can decode. "Parents fed these kinds of allegations are torrured by a mixture of guilt, mistrust of each other and a whole range of hideous doubts," he says. He believes they should be able to seek a second independent opinion, as should magistrates before making a place of safety order. Any doctor who strays from a relationship of help and friendship to patients and their families "does so at his peril", he

Coloproctologists, he says, have wide experience of anal perversions. Yet even the most experienced have seen few cases of anal abuse of very young children, as alleged in Cleveland. In recent months, he says, claims on the frequency of anal abuse have verged on the ludicrous. Although few are prepared to comment publicly, there is "widespread personal incredulity" among coloproctologists at the evidence detailed in the Press.



In the eye of the storm: Drs Christopher Hobbs and Jane Wynne, who 'wish people would listen'

onsultant paediatrician Jane Wynne says it was "a sixth sense" that made her decide to examine the rectum of, and test for reflex anal dilatation, the threeyear-old girl who lay mutely on her side, abdomen marked by suspicious burn marks possibly caused by a cigarette. What she discovered in a Leeds General Infirmary annexe room sparked a major medical cootroversy which rages with increasing vehemence three years

The child had been brutally sexually abused, her anus torn and so grossly dilated the injury could only have been the result of pecetration. It meant, in Dr Wynne's opinion, that RAD could no longer be dismissed as an inconsequential physical abnormality. Investigation by police and social workers of the tiny patient's home environment revealed similar abuse of ber five-year-old brother and led to an eventual confession by their father that he was the perpetrator.

Together with a fellow consultant paediatrician, Dr Christopher Hobbs of St James's Hospital, Leeds, with whom she conferred regularly. Wynne decided to carry out RAD examination of every child brought ioto their bospital wards suspected of mahreatment. Withio mooths they had found several dozen children similarly affected as a result, they believed, of "The coodition of reflex anal

dilatation had been recognized for more than a century, but never before had any physicians recognized that the cause might be perversion, not constipation, or if they did it was something to which they preferred to turn a blind eye," Wynne says.

Now, almost three years after The Lancer published their findings oo child sexual abuse (based on their examinations of children, most referred by Leeds social services department) in October 1985, and 12 months later carried the results of a second research paper, they

bave been blamed for a massive upsurge in the number of families separated and children taken into

Things just suddenly exploded. and ever since we have been under fire from people who just do oot understand that we have never, ever, pioneered reflex anal dilatation as a sole means of detecting sexual abuse. I do wish people would listen," Hobbs says. In 1982 there were just seven cases of abuse diagnosed in Leeds: the number rose more than tenfold in 1985, the year that Wynne and Hobbs began to use RAD as a contributory factor in detecting abuse. This year, according to Leeds social services

'RAD forms no more than a small part of diagnosis'

department, the figure is expected to reach about 290. A similar disturbing increase was

recorded in oeighbouring Cleveland where Dr Marietta Higgs and Dr Geoffrey Wyatt used RAD to diagnose 121 cases of abuse in six months during 1986. Dr Higgs had shortly before attended a lecture in Leeds at which Dr Wynne explained her use of reflex anal dilatation to help uncover child sex abuse. On returning to Cleveland she taught the method to Dr Wyatt and at ooe stage the two had ooe hospital ward filled with suspected sex abuse resulting furore prompted a judicial inquiry headed by Lord Justice Butler-Sloss, whose recommendations will be announced next month. The DHSS standing medical advisory committee has also become involved and is due to report to the Secretary of State within weeks on the use of RAD as an abuse indicator.

Called to give evideoce to the Cleveland inquiry last year Dr Wynne emphasized that RAD was only one of the signs suggestive of

abuse. But if RAD is detected in children referred because of social workers' suspicions about unexplained injury, undernourishment, behavioural problems or slow learning, Wynne and Hobbs always refer the case to a specialist social worker for further investigation.

Of children under their care who have been found to have been abused only 19 per cent showed signs of reflex anal dilatation. "RAD is an important finding and should not be dismissed," Hobbs says. "However it would be wholly inaccurate for anyone to believe RAD forms more than a small part of the overall process of diagnosis."

"Since the Cleveland cootroversy became national newspaper head-lioes we have noticed a marked reluctance by family doctors, paediatricians, psychiatrists and psychologisis to diagnose abuse," Wynne adds. "We firmly believe it is oot because of our colleagues' unawareness that abuse occurs but their lack of courage or convictioo to be placed in a confrontational court situation and have their professional competence questioned."

Reluctant themselves to become engaged in opeo confrontation with colleagues, they shrug off as paranoia suspicions that they have fallen victim to a medical conspiracy, "though we accept the very real possibility of attempts by eminent paediatricians and coloproctologists to undermine our work to cover their own unawareness of the widespread problem of child abuse", Hobbs says.

verge of quitting their child abuse work and concentrating on less vulnerable paediatrie areas. After discussion with their families each has two children - they agreed to carry on and to support each other. They say they have received hundreds of letters supporting their work, like one last week from a girl sex abuse victim, aged six, who wrote to Dr Wynne: "I saw you on television. I like you and I trust you. Please carry on helping us. We've got no one else."

Self-help is in the blood

Transplants of a patient's own bone-

marrow may hold a cure to leukaemia

across the Alps has focused attention on the plight of children with leukaemia, the disease is 10 times more likely to strike adults. While there is often a better chance of a cure for children (Alder Hay Children's Hospital in Liverpool reports a 60 per cent recovery rate), the outlook for most adults without a bone marrow donor has oot changed for years from a bleak 20 per cent.

began this month, is comparing conventional chemotherapy-only treatments with a if-transplant scheme (where the donor is the patient) which may push those loog-term survival figures up to two or three times what they were. If the scheme succeeds nationally it will mean hope for adults who contract acute myeloid leukaemia, the most common of adult blood cancers. It will also be a success-story for University College Hospital, London.

Now a national trial, which

In what is to become the most comprehensive leo-kaemia study of its kind in the world, several hundred pa-tients aged between 15 and 55 will take part in a three-year comparative trial of treatment

In medical terms, the "autograft" is new. It is less than eight years since Dr Tooy.
Goldstone, director of the
Bloomsbury Booe Marrow
Transplant Unit at UCH, and Dr David Lineh, a consultant haematologist, introduced autografts. They are now a regular option for many of this bospital's leukaemia patients aged between 15 and 55 who are in complete remission after chemotherapy. From the unit's first seven years' work, 58 per cent of their adult acute myeloid leukaemia patients who have been autografted are alive and well.

Marrow stem cells are "harvested" from the lumbar region of the back and immediately freeze-stored in liquid nitrogen (where they could safely stay for several years if necessary). The pa-tient is given what would otherwise be a lethal dose of five times the usual chemo-therapy to kill off the "bad" or residual leukaemic cells. Then the thawed marrow is reinfused intravenously. The stem cells will find their way back into the patient's marrow and will begin to divide, producing new, young red cells, white cells and platelets. Haemopoiesis - the body's

Yet the mystery remains. How does it manage to work so well when some original leukaemic cells are surely put back into the patient?

Goldstone thinks that there may not be all that many "bad" cells returned in the 2 to 5 per cent of harvested mar-

While Ian Botham's march row stem cells, and that the new marrow may actually fight any remaining leukaemia and suppress further out-

He admits this is a cootroversial area. The procedure is dangerous, it can fail and it has its critics; they have said that subjecting patients to such drastic treatment without the promise of an improvement is morally

wrong.
Deciding whether or not to autograft a patient in remission is agonizing. Goldstone agrees. "Do you leave them to take their chances or do you put them through the calculated daogers of auto-grafting? If they die, have they died from the treatment? Would they have got better if they had been left alone?

These questions will be a lot easier to answer in three to five years' time when the random trials between those who have been selected to "take their chances" and those who have undergone autografts produce their results.

One clear advantage that autografting has over traditional donor grafts is that the body hardly ever rejects its

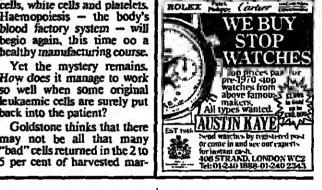


Trial time: Dr Tony Goldston

own cells. The two major dangers of grafts from another donor are graft-rejection and graft-versus-bost disease. where the imported cells fight the patient as well as the levkaemia.

One trial-watcher whose interest rivals that of Goldstone is Gregory Tanner, a 32-yearold mature medical student at UCH, Tanner was one of the unit's first patients when, in 1981, be had a double autograft - a secood harvesting of cells, a second massive dose of chemotherapy and a second self-transplant of marrow. Once qualified, Tanoer hopes to specialize — in haematology,

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Early days for brain cell implants

Professor Hitchcock, the Birminghan neuro-surgeon, was hoping to take a long-planned holiday after attending an esoteric scientific meeting in Oxford, and had no idea of the furore his lecture on stereotactic surgical techmiques in brain surgery would cause, for it is not a subject which usually makes headlines.

But the revelation that he had carried out cell implant operations in an attempt to relieve symptoms in three of his patients suffering from severe Parkinson's disease, and that in two of these cases the cells were from an aborted foetus, meant that he spent most of his holiday patiently explain-ing to the world's Press the manifesta-tions of Parkinson's disease – tremor, rigidity, loss of spontaneous movements, and sometimes mental deterioration. He explained the basic

MEDICAL BRIEFING

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

particularly if they also smoke

nia, which is usually of variable intensity, the most likely

recurrent hoarse voice is re-

peated attacks of laryngitis.

Laryngitis is usually caused by a bacterial or viral infection and often follows pneumonia

or bronchitis, but allergy or

the inhalation of irritating

substances can occasionally be responsible. It is possible that

the regular swim in a chlori-

nated pool taken by the Sec-retary of State for Social

Services might have irritated

his throat; occasionally even a

change in temperature or

humidity in a swimming pool

example, a well-known banker

had to stop swimming as every

Apart from nervous apbo-

or drink more than average.

cause, a deficiency of dopamine in the cells of the substantia nigra in the sufferer's brain. The term "brain transplant"

misleading, summing up as it does the vision that the thought-processing mechanism of one person can be translated to another body. In fact the cells are not so much transplanted to another brain as seeded in it. No direct neurological connection between the nerve cells of the host and those of the donor occurs; the foetal cells become implanted just as if they were growing in a tissue culture, and if they flourish it is hoped that they will produce the dopamine whose lack is causing the symptoms of Parkinson's disease Contrary to reports the foctuses were not delivered by hysterotomy,

Caesarean section at an early stage of pregnancy, and the pregnant women were not subjected to any additional discomfort or hazard through the use of the cells from their foetas in the treatment of another patient. The foetuses were not alive when the cells were collected, for the foetis brain tissue can be kept for 24 hours in properly refrigerated surroundings.
Some doctors have expressed concern at the implication that the

is a tennous link between the two complaints: in both there is a shortage of a chemical essential to the proper functioning of the brain, but as one neurologist said, to extrapolate from the surgical treatment of one to the other is not so much a step as a gigantic leap. Foetal cell implants as a means of treating Parkinson's disea are still at a very early stage. If the Birmingham work does continue, long-term experiments in animals, as well as surgical trials in patients, will be needed to show that the cells are neither rejected, nor flourish too abundantly. The thought that the cells from the foetus might spread as uncontrollably as bracken on the moors is not a comforting one.

techniques used in these two opera-

tions might provide a ready and easy

answer to Alzheimer's disease. There

Hushed tones in the House Vasectomy cancer link

John Moore's voice has failed him in at least two major par-liameotary debates when his performance was crucial to his political future as well as the propagation of his policy. Was it pure chance, or a consequence of the tensioo inevitable when a man has to defend himself and his department against the probable howls of rage from the benches opposite, and the

content from his colleagues Neil Kinnock, too, has had trouble with his voice, but his problem is different. When tense he overstrains it by forcing it so that its tone is sooo reduced to a rasping hoarseness. Moore's, on the other hand, from time to time

possible low murmur of dis-

just disappears. Hoarseness, or an easily tom which demands an growths are more common in 12m for the rest of the day.

explanation; if it persists for more thao two or three weeks despite treatment with an appropriate antibiotic, the larynx should be inspected by an ear oose and throat specialist to exclude serious disease. It has been suggested that

Moore suffers from Preacher's Singer's Teacher's or Sergeant Major's throat, but these are chronic rather than intermittent conditions caused by constantly shouting screaming or unnaturally lowering the tone of the voice. The misuse of the voice in this way results in hyaline nodules forming on the vocal cords. which can be removed surgically. In young patients they sometimes disappear spontaneously but in any event the

patient needs voice producproduces a reaction m a sen-suive person. Recently, for tion lessons. A wide variety of other tumours, benign and malignant, can grow on the vocal cords. Nearly all are amenable time he had his morning dip he to early treatment. These developed rhinitis and his cose

patients who use their voices a lot in the course of their work,

diagnosis in somebody with a tion's birth

In the early 1970s a House of Commons committee studied the future role of vasectomy in the nacontrol

programme. After taking many hours of evidence it recommended that although this minor operation should be available on the NHS, theoretical medical disadvantages and proven social problems made it an undesirable first choice. Its words of caution were lost in the blaze of publicity after Michael Parkinson announced to the world that he had been

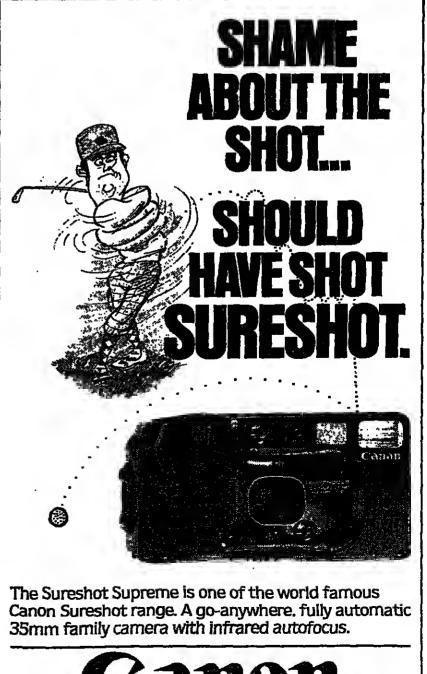
In the 15 years since the committee reported, clinical practice has borne out its advice that extreme care was needed when selecting cases so-rather inconclusive, that men as to avoid regrets and demands for reversal later, but the scientists' fears that vasectomy might produce cardio-vascular problems have not, as

yet, materialized. Their other anxiety, that vasectomized men would develop an immune response to their own sperm, has been justified and probably accounts for the low level of fertility even after successful reversal operations. Possibly the first medical

evidence to support the committee's conclusions was recently revealed in the British Journal of Cancer. A report lists three risk factors in the development of

cancer of the prostate: men who had a vasectomy 30 years or more before; those who had sexual intercourse under the age of 17; and those who The survey was only a small

one, of 216 case-controlled pairs. There may well be other factors involved: it is possible that the desire for a vasectomy is symptomatic, for example of increased libido which might be hormone-dependent, for there is some evidence, who have been vasectomized do have higher levels of testosterone, but whether this is cause or effect has not been





TIMES DIARY

RICHARD COBB

n his letter he suggested that we meet at 12.30 at Boodle's (or is it Boodles? I have never been too sure whether these names designate a genitive singular or a genitive plural; like everything else about them, it was somehow assumed that one would know, as if it had been a matter of handed-on truth). I could manage the day he had suggested, but just where was Boodle's? He said that it was on St James's Street, on the left, as you look downhill from Piccadilly. You couldn't mistake it; it had a big white bow-window looking on to the

I found the window without any difficulty. climbed the steps, and went straight in between the constantly swinging double-doors. There I asked an important-looking person in a blue uniform with a silver braid border behind the elaborate glass-fronted information desk if my friend was expecting me, giving his name and mine. He left his glass box for a moment to take a look in the bar. which I could see just beyond the re-ception area, coming back almost at once to say that my host did not seem to be there and that I had better wait till he turned up.

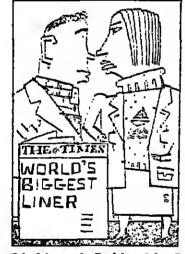
He seemed sure that he would and his assurance communicated itself to me. I sat down in one of the reception room's big leather chairs that proved surprisingly uncomfortable. After five minutes of discomfort I got up and started walking up and down feigning an interest in the various portraits and prints. There was one of my favourite Englishman, Sir Robert Walpole. looking prosperous and very healthy, but I soon got tired of even Sir Roben's muted company. What made the waiting worse was the profusion of clocks, all of them large, handsome and enthusiastic.

he swing doors from the street were banging open at ever shorter intervals as elegantly suited gentlemen were greeted by their hosts and within minutes had been provided with large drinks. Others who seemed to belong to the place, calling the uniformed doorman "Maurice", just marched straight through to the bar.

After 40 minutes a thought occurred: I looked at various club notices in search of a clue, but not one of them ("Members are reminded that...") had on it a letter-heading. In the end there was nothing for it but to go to the uniformed poner and ask:
"This is Boodle's. is it not?" "No Sir." he said. "This is White's. Boodle's is just down the street on this side. You can't miss it - it has a large white front bow-window".

The aggressive anonymity of London clubs has caught me out on several previous occasions. I have mistaken the Reform for the Travellers', or the other way round. The Savile I failed to find altogether. I suppose the same criticism could be made of Oxford colleges. The tip there is to look for college notices, generally under glass. Bailiol is the only one to proclaim its identity on the street side, in a wooden notice, with white letters on a black background: possibly another form of arrogance but one at least

BARRY FANTONI



'I don't know why Ravi doesn't just fit Majorca with a pair of propellors'

erhaps something must have been missed out at the time of my hirth. From the age of five to that of almost 71 I have always had the deepest loathing for cricket. From my prep school days i lived in dread of being hit hy those cruelly hard balls (made hy some fiend in Tonbridge) and welcomed with a wonderful sense of relief wet afternoons that would release me from the terrors of the sports field. Even now the wretched game pursues me, indoors into my home, almost every day. Even November. December, January, Fehruary and March, which one would think might be safe months, are not. It seems to go on, somewhere or other, all year round. What a start to the day! At the brief, clipped authoritarian two-syllable word of menace: Cricket, I rush across the room to turn the damned thing off.

Yet some people seem almost to live for the game. I know a very good historian, who actually writes books about cricket (he also reviews other people's). Not so long ago he flew to Australia to talk to people about bodyline bowling. Yet in every other way he seems perfectly normal.

It is a disease that can attack the most unexpected people. In the tea room of the Institute of Historical Research I used to listen to small groups of young men and women, all of them dressed in sober suits, as, leaning forward, they fed questions to Sir Lewis Namier: "Sir Lewis, what did you think of so-and-so's bowling in yesterday's MCC match?" The historian, like a pike caught while swallowing smaller fish, always responded, in his strange English, at majestic and confident length. Perhaps he identified cricket with the Shropshire gentry

about whom he had written so learnedly. One of the positive pleasures of living abroad is to get right away from all sight and sound of the white-clad figures, the measured applause. Pretty well all of Europe is immune, though Africa has persistent patches of infection, especially at its southernmost tip (I am not sure if even

Egypt at the top has a clean bill of health). The Americas are perfectly safe though I would not be too sure about Argentina. The Marxist regimes are clear, there are no doubt Marxist cricketers, but I imagine only English ones. Certainly, to take a global view, there is some good news: the map is steadily contracting. They no longer olay in Corfu, i believe Fiji is on the way out, I don't think the Afghans are keen any more, Tibet simply does not have enough flat land. Which does not leeve an awful lot.

The Times, in its leader yesterday, is not alone in believing that the House of Lords would be constitutionally entitled to make such changes in the Community Charge Bill as would force its abandonment or a second look by the House of Commons.

But the view is a false one. It may well be that this is not a money Bill in the strict sense and that amendments, for instance to make the charge a "banded" one, would not fall foul of Commons privileges. But this is to take a narrow and technical view of a broad constitutional and political issue.

The funding of the House of Commons itself was the out-come of the financial exigencies of medieval kings. The nobility and church made their own arrangements for assisting their sovereign, and the House of Lords' separate existence reflects that fact. But for those among the lesser landowners or the merchants not rich enough to make individual arrangements, the House of Commons in which their representatives sat approved of general schemes of taxation which applied to them.

Such a position, ultimately unique in Europe, was not secured without attempts to get round it. This was particularly true of the Stuart kings inspired by the absolutist doctrines of the Continent. One reason for wantMax Beloff warns the Lords against exceeding their constitutional role

Poll tax: no trespassing

ing British history in the schools national curriculum is that the ship money dispute in the time of Charles I or the pension received by his son from Louis XIV should not be forgotten. The Glorious Revolution of 1688 put a stop to all that.

As between the two Houses of Parliament in the 18th and 19th centuries the dividing line between general legislation and money matters was hard to draw and there were disputes at the margin. But when Lloyd George sought new methods of raising money to finance rearmament and the early stages of the welfare state - methods to which the House of Lords objected the sole authority of the House of Commons was finally and resoundingly asserted.

Nor would it be easy to see

how a non-representative cham-ber, however well qualified in other respects, could claim a right of intervention in what touches the citizens most. The more the opponents of the community charge refer, rightly or wrongly, to its likely major effects upon people's lives, the stronger the case for saying that this is a matter for the Commons. And it is certainly hard to imagine how the uniform business rate can be regarded as other than a national tax.

One must also take political

realities into account. The opposition parties, after their three electoral defeats, cannot hope to secure their ends through the House of Commons. So we increasingly see attempts to use the House of Lords as their weapon against government measures. This is of course much disguised by the use of the convenient phrase "a revising chamber". That we need a revising chamber no one who has studied a Bill as it emerges from the House of Commons can deny. Whatever the merits of the lower bouse may be, legislative competence is not among them. But since the House of Commons expresses the political will of the nation, and since any changes made will have to be approved by it in the

end, there are clear limits to what can be done under this head. Recently, however, there has

been evidence of a concerted attempt by the opposition parties to go beyond these limits. And this was made particularly clear in the second reading debate on the Education Reform Bill earlier this week. One always knows what is afoot when an opposition spokesman asserts that there will be peers "on all sides of the House" who will be ready to support whatever it is that he is proposing. Translated, this means: "I hope there are Tory peers mnocent enough to swallow an opposition point as

though it were their own." I do not find this surprising. The Bill does represent in many respects a major departure in educational thinking. How can it be revised or improved by people who reject that departure and who - for instance Baroness David, Baroness Seer or Baroness Blackstone — are wholly wedded to the so-called progres-sive educational theories of the

1960s? How can Lord Graham of Edmonton help to improve what he called in the House "this rotten, miserable, arrogant bill"? If one ran a store one would hardly put a vegetarian in charge of the meat department or an animal rights activist selling furs.

Fortunately there is an infal-lible sign when this is happening. The claim of the House of Lords to be treated respectfully as a revising chamber arises from the individual experience and expert knowledge of its members. There is no subject, however obscure or technical, that some peer cannot illuminate for his colleagues. But the claim disappears when they put forward the idea that what they are doing is representing public opinion as reflected in their postbags. Of course there are bodies of a

perfectly respectable kind whose literature can add to one's know-ledge. But much that comes in, whether directly from particular organizations or in the form of "private letters", clearly em-bodying such material does no

more than illustrate the prejudices to which all opposition to change can appeal.
I suspect that there may be

provisions in the ILEA clauses of the Bill which require amendment but one is certainly not inclined to look at them when confronted with the so-called opinion of London parents, collected in a highly questionable ballot, rejecting abolition altogether.

It is for members of the House of Commons who have to face the voter to decide what importance should be attached to public opinion. The House of Lords must rest its case for intervention on other argu-

It is worth remembering that most of those who seek to exploit the House of Lords for party purposes were only recently committed to its abolition, and still talk of curtailing its surviving power if ever in a position to do so. It is important that the rest of the House should not get carried away by the new authority and popularity which, helped by television, it has recently acquired. It must not get too big for its boots and defy centuries of constitutional development.

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Bernard Levin

Hidden hand of conspiracy

ome time late last year or early this, Mr James Dalrymple, a writer for The Independent (I do not know of him in any other connection), met Chief Inspector Brian Woollard of the Metropolitan Police, and instantly suffered a conversion, more ahrupt and complete than that experienced by St Paul on the road to Damascus, to the belief that this country is in the grip of a hideous conspiracy, its tentacles reaching into every corner of our national life, though perhaps most powerful and sinister in its fanatical control of the nation's police forces. And ever since the light dawned, Mr Dalrymple has been writing about it three times a day

This unimaginably terrible camorra has been the agent, for at least a century, of a vast range of crimes and wickednesses, from ritual murder Jack the Ripper being one of the leading prac-titioners of this odd but exciting art) to the corruption of local government through their countless followers, hiding behind a variety of impenetrable "fronts" as "architects, builders and the owners of small-to-medium

Nor is it only the police, local government, architects etc who are in the deadly ring; it includes some of the highest in the land, one of them being that shifty and sinister figure Lord Whitelaw, who must be the toast of the moh because he once took steps, in the nick of time, to prevent their dreadful secret being given to the world.

Incidentally, although Mr Dalrymple doesn't mention it. the tentacles reach even higher than the evil Willie, for Prince Philip is one of the leading conspirators, and the Duke of Kent is another. (So far. no allegations of ritual murder have been made against either of these illustrious figures.) Before I continue. I must add that for most of his allegations no evidence at all is adduced; they are presented as unsubstantiated smears.

Some of my readers will by now have guessed what I am talking about. I shall shortly reveal it to those who haven't, hut first I would like both categories to join me in an experiment. I must stress that, although I have taken pains to paint Mr Dalrymple's allegations in a light both lurid and comical, I have not invented anything: he does proffer the charges I list, including the one about Jack the Ripper.

To the experiment. Please go back and read everything from my first sentence to this paragraph, and, as you do so, hold in your mind the fact that all the allegations about the conspiracy, its power and its deeds refer to the Jews. I'll wait here. Now: are you not shocked.

and more than shocked? Have you not heard, in your reading of history, how these mad daubs from Jewish ritual murder to the subversion of local government hy Jewish corruption - have come up again and again, and have resulted in terrible injustice, and in its extreme form, mass murder? Would you have believed that such allegations could be made again today in Britain by anyone outside the ranks of those pathetic figures I was writing about not long ago. who believe that asterisks are the Jewish Star of David, printed in books and newspapers to dem-onstrate that all published matter is in the hands of the Jews?

ery well: Mr Dalrymple was writing not about the Jews, but aboul the Freemasons. Does that make you feel better? I think it shouldn't, and I shall now say why. First, throughoul the centuries since Freemasonry came into existence, the Masons have been welded inseparably to the Jews as their co-agents in evil: I knew of no anti-semitic movement that has not embraced anti-Masonry as well.

Second, such campaigns are identical to anti-semitic ones in another and more important



sense; they cannot be refuted, because if any Jew/Mason can prove beyond doubt that he has never done anything wrong, the accuser can always - and does always - retreat to the logically impregnable position of saying, "Well, you're innocent, but the other Jews/Masons aren't."

Third, when such campaigns rely, as they must, on tittle-tattle, the very repetition of hoary charges gives them a credence, so that the tittle-tattle gradually becomes apparently substantial. (And that is to leave out those who anyway invariably greet tittle-tattle with that most an-

which causes the disease.

cient and foul response, "There's no smoke without fire".)

Fourth, and most important of all they rely on the evil principle (the adjective is not too strong) of Ex uno, disce omnes. Some Freemasons, contrary to the rules of the craft, undoubtedly use Masonic connections to their advantage. Similarly, it is certain that there are Jews who perpetrate fraud and corrupt practices. If it comes to that, there are Roman Catholics who regularly beat their wives. It is on such foundations that blanket condemnation and belittling of whole groups rest, and the con-demnation and belittling of whole groups has been, through-out the ages, one of the very greatest stains on human history.

It would be tedious and unprofitable to go through all Mr Dalrymple's tittle-tattles, as it would be to try to convince Inspector Woollard that he has not been done down by a conspiracy of Masonic fellowpolicemen (which is where Mr Dalrymple comes in). But a sample may be useful.

In a kind of oo-er, eyes-rolling, the-bogeyman-is-coming article early in his campaign, Mr Dalrymple managed to suggest that Masons, following the diabolical Protocols of the Elders of Masonry, are wont to conspire to hide the wrongdoing of a fellow Mason, "even if he has committed crimes that include article which also includes the Masonic Jack the Ripper - "The injuries to the women were very similar to the macabre descriptions of what would happen to Masons who exposed craft secrets . . . the blatant cover-up was orchestrated by the Commissioner and his Masonic cronies...". Tittle-tattle? This seems to indicate that Mr Dalrymple would do well to have a nice long holiday in the

Bahamas. Why does all this matter? It matters in the way it would matter if the target of these scatter-shot charges were indeed

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Jews rather than Masons (many Jews, incidentally, are Masons). And if you want to know where this kind of thing leads immediately (we all know where it leads ultimately), try this sample of a letter. The Independent printed early in the campaign:

... pippoints the Freemasonry movement as the probably common factor behind many among magistrates and court officials:...responsible for not ooly eliminating our most honest policemen out also for removing defence solicitors in the middle of trials by unjustified threats and trumped-up charges...My career...las been destroyed by some conspiracy. If this is not Massonic in origin one wonders sonic in origin one wonders what other malign influence is at work ...?

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sense altogether, a much narrower sense, but a crucial one. After Mr Dakympie's campaign had been going for some time, Mr Paul Foot of the Daily Mirror, putting aside for a moment his assiduous efforts to see this country transformed into a replica of Bulgaria, published a story about a couple in Nottingham; the husband had been convicted of an offence, and his wife learned that she was not to be prosecuted for an action (which she had consistently denied) that at one time charge. Mr Foot, in his second sentence, described the husband as "one of the city's top freemasons". None of allegations concerned Masonry or the offender's membership; no link with other Masons was suggested; the defendant's membership was in no way relevant.

We expect a Trotskyist fanatic to behave like this, and Mr Dalrymple is plainly beyond eure. But the editor of *The* Independent, which has established a very different kind of reputation, must be told that Mr Dalrymple's campaign has not

Commentary • RONALD BUTT

Loyalty's limits

Rulers and governments with an exceptional record of success always find it difficult to contemplate the possibility of failure whatever cause they take up. They think that their past victories hind their followers to them with bonds of unquestioning toyalty on every issue.
When they meet obstruction

from those whose support and trust they think they should be able 10 take for granted, they look for conspiratorial motives and see not a genuinely different point of view but only thwarted ambition, treachery and per-sonal discontent. That is how the revolt against the poll tax is seen within the Government and it is dangerous for Mrs Thatcher that it should be so. Mrs Thatcher divides the

political world into those who do and those who do not share her values. Those who are for her she thinks must be for her root and branch; those who oppose her on any question are suspected of being generally unsound. Most of us. if we are honest with ourselves, must admit to having something of the same instinct. Bul in politics it must be held in check and many a great ruler has come to a fall by not recognizing that there can be no unquestion-

ng obedience. There can be no blank cheques in democratic politics. Governments should not be encouraged to arbitrariness either by toadyism or by a party fervour which overrides an honest personal judgement of what is for the common good. Those ministers who put it about at the weekend that the rebellion over the poll tax is to be explained by the machinations of Michael Heseltine were foolish. No doubt Mr

Heseltine talks to his friend

ment precipitated the rebellion. about the poll tax. Mr Heseltine's zeal against the tax may well be heightened by his dislike of Mrs Thatcher's way of conducting Cabinet government and the Westland episode.

But the fact that strong causes in politics quickly attract able leaders who are out of sympathy with the reigning power does not diminish the cause. A rebellion of the magnitude of that on Monday night — with such disinterested senior backbench Tories as Sir Philip Goodhart voting against the Government and Sir Brandon Rees-Williams abstaining - does not arise from wanton rebelliousness. There were also warnings from such experienced loyalists as Julian Amery who, though voting for the Government, made it clear that all was not well.

The same was me of the resistance to health service charges for dental and eye tests and to the social security changes. Tories know that the social service benefit system needs rationalization but generally recognize that this cannot be done hy snatching at "easy" solutions without due regard for the consequences. They accept that the system should discourage the dependency culture but do not think it helps to penalize pensioners who have exercised a little thrift and whom it is too late to subject to independency" incentives. The Government needs a coherent philosophy to guide its approach

As for the poll tax, that was also an expedient hastily snatched at to find a way of redeeming Mrs Thatcher's personal commitment to abolish the

rates. Rates had been pro-nounced bad and a local income tax was declared unacceptable in terms of Treasury control of the economy. A solution was needed and eventually an internal committee of the Environment Department chaired by William Waldegrave (for whose All Souls' mind Mrs Thatcher has a profound admiration) came up with the poll tax scheme. It was an intellectual construction, the philosophy of which was promulgated without full reference to essential details. Adherence to it has since somehow become regarded as a litmus test of adherence to market economy principles when it is no more

than an expediency which has

Zagury used four prepara-tions to try to enhance the effectiveness of his Aids vacbeen proved to be inexpedient. If on Monday night the abstainers and all those (includcine. After inoculating up to ing a number of PPSs) who were half a dozen volunteers with seriously worried had felt free to the vaccine, he gave them the vote according to their wishes. booster treatment a month or the poil tax would have been more afterwards. The best booster, Zagury says, is the one he gave himself; it seems lost. That is the fact of politics that not only the Lords but the Government must now take into to prompt the body's imsystem to produce large amounts of antibody, effective account. A tax of this sort cannot sensibly be forced through against so much opposition in against the HIV strain the the governing party. original vaccine was made

The answer suggested in this from and against related column months ago is to confine the poll tax for genuinely "local" Zagury's booster was made by infecting his white blood cells with the virus used for expenditure for which local authorities must be responsible but to reduce its burden by transmaking the vaccine, killing them and infusing the prod-ucts back into the bloodstream ferring from local authorities to the Exchequer the cost of education, the fire service and over several hours. The treatpolice, which are no more local ment produces extra anticharges than defence is. If inbodies and white blood cells come tax goes up and rates go which deal with some aspects down, it is as broad as it is long. of later HIV infection. Al-There may be some other solthough the booster seems safe ution but il will not be in the



and effective, its large-scale use would not yet be practicable, but Zagury says he plans to simplify the treat-

The key, he says, is to present the body's immune system with the parts of the virus that it encounters in the course of a natural infection: these must be on the surfaces of the cells, as they are after

Zagury plans a trial of vaccination followed by booster treatment in Zaire. Six of the authors of today's Nature report are from Zaire, and sanport the trials. The authors include several Paris colleagues of Zagury, and Robert Gallo, co-discoverer of HIV. Zagury's vaccine and boost-

ers are all based on a hybrid virus made by genetically manipulating a gene from HIV into the virus used for smallpox vaccination. An applica-

tion by a subsidiary of the pharmaceutical company Bris-tol-Myers to test a similar hybrid virus on American volunteers is awaiting ap-

proval. At least two other possible Aids vaccines are being tested in the US. One is a purified HIV protein, known as gp160, made by the US biotechnology. eompany MicroGeneSys; which is being tested on uninfected male homosexual

volunteers. The other trial involves giving killed HIV to a small number of people in the hope of boosting their immune respoases. This is masterminded by Jonas Salk, who in the late 1950s developed killed poliovirus as a vaccine

against polio. The months ahead will see trials of many other HIV vaccines. Much research is meant to tell which fragments of the proteins made by HIV are most effective in triggering the immune defences and then to enhance the immune response to them. There are also schemes to arrange protein

fragments in ways that mimic the external surface of HIV. Even so, while optimism persists that an Aids vaccine will eventually emerge, researchers are increasingly shy of guessing when. That explains the attention new being paid to the search for drugs, even if they and company they they only suppress HIV and treat the immunodeficiency it causes rather than eradicating

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WORLD HELD HOSTAGE

The world should rejoice that the 31 remaining hostages are free at last. But the world should be profoundly worried that so too are their

What "deal" was made was unclear last night. Given the states involved, it is likely that it was murky. Any arrangement which involves murderers going unpunished is bound to be. That is one of the things which should be borne in mind amid civilized humanity's understandable relief at the survival of the 31. Two of their original number are dead. Those who killed them have been spirited

away by Algerian military aircraft - back into the murderous politics of the Middle East, almost certainly to kill again.

This airlift of the guilty was carried out by a nation state - Algeria - with its seat in the United Nations, embassies in the great capitals, state visits hither and thither, and general air of being part of a stable international order. It is one thing for murderers to get away with it as a result of their own guile. That has always happened. It is quite another thing for their escape to be connived at by government.

Government is the authority whose first duty is to uphold the law, not to undermine it, or to arrange for the guilty to escape its consequences. All governments do so from time to time, including Western ones. But no government should make a vocation of it, which is what Algeria has been doing.

Algeria has done itself a bit of good by playing the mediator. But, judging by the way that-country is now being talked about one could be forgiven for assuming it to be the Middle East version of Switzerland - a country of exemplary liberal institutions whose historic role is to bring humanitarianism to bear on international conflict.

Algeria is not in that category. Instead, it has won for itself a reputation among Middle Eastern hijackers as the place where they are most likely to escape with their lives should their demands be refused and they decide to call it a day for the time being. It is an inglorious role for any country.

Knwait was the country which refused the most. So, on the face of it, Kuwait comes out of the affair well. But through Algeria it was almost certainly a party to the final arrangement with the hijackers. Let us hope that it did not make too many concessions.

It has behaved honourably. But, in so far as it is possible, the diplomatic community should keep a close eye on its prison gates in the next few weeks to see if there are any premature releases of the 17 prisoners who were the subject of the hijackers' demands.

Cyprus seems to have wanted to reach some accommodation with the hijackers similar to the one arrived at in Algeria yesterday. As it is, Cyprus did agree to refuel the aircraft. So it too was prepared to yield. But, in Cyprus's case, the willingness to refuel was perhaps excusable as part of the process of wearing down the hijackers and avoiding the further murders which at that time seemed likely.

Back in Beirut last night, the hijackers could ponder a mixed outcome. They did not secure the release of the Kuwaiti prisoners, but then, they might never have seriously believed they would. They won publicity for the cause of Shi'ite extremism. They got away with two murders. They held the world hostage as well as those poor passengers. They are alive to terrorize again.

The rest of the world's air travellers remain more at risk than ever. Innocent people caught up in a hijack are unlikely to be killed in the end - though sooner or later some desperate gang will make good their threat to blow up themselves and their captives.

Hijacking is too serious a matter to be left to Middle-Eastern states which lack the will or the means to protect international law and order, even if they really wanted to do so. Hijacking is the new piracy, and piracy was put down by the most powerful Western states taking it upon themselves to act on behalf of civlization as a

That has been an unfashionable idea since the invention of the Third World and the erosion of Western self-confidence. But it is an idea which is slowly reviving and must revive still more unless more murderers are allowed to be flown to safety by the Algerian airforce so that they can plot their next outrage.

NEW FAITH IN THE CITIES

The leadership of the Church of England would be more embarrassed than comforted to be told that its new initiative for the inner cities fits in well with the policy of the Government. There is a current delusion in the Church that on to its shoulders has fallen the mantle of the Official Opposition.

None the less, the gap between the Church's present policy and that of three years ago is as great as it is greatly to be welcomed. The underlying philosophy of the Church Urban Fund, which was launched with a splendid service at Westminster Abbey yesterday, is that the rejuvenation of the inner cities will happen best when local communities, voluntary resources, and commerce work closely together. This is very different from the position when the Church published its famous report

Faith in the Cities in 1985. The emphasis then was on a massive transfer of public resources, in effect a further wave of almost indiscriminate block grants and subsidies at the tax-payers' expense. The Government's irritated response at the time was in three parts: that such minutiae of economic and political practicalities were none of the Church's business; that it had been tried before and did not work; and that it did not correspond to the Government's philosophy of

enterprise and self help. As a result some in the Church chose to hear a different message from the Government that the inner cities were no part of Whitehall and Westminster's concern. This was never the case but the split between the two sides remained open. The presence of Cabinet ministers at yesterday's abbey service represents a reconciliation of sorts. So does the Archbishop of Canterbury's admission in his sermon that Faith in the City "may not have got everything right,"

Nor, however, did the report get everything wrong. For as well as telling the Government how to run the country, it more specifically and appropriately suggested things the Church could do itself. That was the inspiration of the Church Urban Fund. The "transfer of resources" it envisages is modest. But it is a response which fits the need, and fits well enough the Government's own inner city

The fund hopes to handle some £4 million a year. This is a welcome symbol of the Church of England's concern that its more prosperous members should accept some responsibility for those less fortunate. The controllers of the fund aim to encourage what is there rather than to create initiatives afresh from outside. There will be careful scrutiny of specific projects before they are endorsed and supported, which should help assure their quality.

The assistance of the fund will go alongside funds raised locally. Solidarity and involvement is preferred to paternalistic benevolence. This general approach is a model the Government can welcome for other parallel initiatives.

The Church of England has its own presence in the inner city, even if its liturgical ministrations are somewhat sparsely supported. With declining manpower and membership it was faced with a clear temptation to concentrate where its strength lay in the suburbs and county towns. But instead of withdrawing most of its stake in the inner urban areas, it has rightly chosen to seek a way to use its urban network for the common

THE LAST TEST

Cricket has emerged badly bruised from the winter. The game has earned headlines only for the worst of reasons - for unseemly conflict between captains and umpires, for players destroying their stumps and their moral code, and lontish behaviour by luminaries who ought to know better. The repair job will be extensive and it must start today.

The new season, and with it the romance of fresh-cut grass and springtime dreams, is a new chance, maybe a last chance. Cricket cannot withstand further self-inflicted wounds from those who place their personal ego above their profession. In England, the game exists through commercial sponsors but every one of them is set to monitor the events to come, fearful that their own market-place reputations could suffer from an alliance with men who have forgotten how to behave.

Worse still than the financial threat is the risk of contamination to the next generation of cricketers. Those who devote time and energy to the organization of the game in schools and clubs can hardly avoid anxiety. They must fear that the boys they coach will consider it either clever or commonplace to indulge in some of

the more unsavoury antics they observed on their television screens this winter. It is now the urgent responsibility of every professional player in this country to restore the traditional values of their game and to channel their aggression into areas where it benefits the spectacle of cricket, rather than damaging its future.

The players predictably feel they have been badly served by media reporting of the winter incidents. Their claim, if not a plea of total innocence, is that they are being painted far blacker than is fair. What they must now accept, however, is that those who ultimately pay their wages - the sponsors and the public are not in the mood to tolerate anything forther which drags cricket into the gutter.

The West Indies will be in England this summer. Entertainment of the highest quality is in prospect, with our national team striving to improve its woeful recent record against the most formidable side in the world. Let us hope that the headlines are made by the heroics of batsmen and bowlers, not by bickering and bad conduct.

Hair hazard

From Mr John Ley-Morgan Sir, I must add a note of cautioo to Miss Prenss's letter (April 18) re her habit of putting out bunches of human and cat hair for nesting

Nest construction ofteo in-volves new material being stamped into place and there is a danger that such hair can end up caught around the bird's leg-

A few years ago I gave my nesting canaries identical material, only to find one in a totally exhausted state, hanging from one of the perches to which it had

become shackled In the confines of the aviary I

was able to effect a rescue, but I fear that a wild bird would have experienced a rather slow and tragic death. Yours faithfull

JOHN LEY-MORGAN. The Corn Dolly, High Street, Worle, Weston-super-Mare, Avon. April 19.

Test of means

benefits.

From Mr John Parfitt Sir. Professor Forrester (report, early editions, April 12) joins the vociferous ranks of those who object to means-testing as a way of deciding who shall receive social

I have just received my annua income tax return. I am required by law to disclose my own and my wife's financial circumstances in great detail in order that the Inland Revenue may decide how much tax we are to pay. That is means-testing and I see oo objection (or indeed sensible alterpative) to it.

Why then should those who are to receive rather than to pay be humiliated by the same proce-

I am, Sir. your obedient servant, JOHN PARFITT. South Gables, Cotswold Mead. Painswick Gloncestershire,

April 12.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Safe custody of museum treasures

cherished both by the museum

and by international specialists.

The great majority of these objects

From Sir Hugh Leggant Sir, May I make several points in

connection with your leader on the sale of items from museums

and galleries and books from the

Rylands Library? Apart from those financially involved there seemed no serious support for the

At the present time the trustees of

these institutions are opposed to

this proposal for a number of reasons, which have been widely

publicised.

has little monetary value.

Director, The British Museum, WC1.

DAVID M. WILSON.

Yours etc.

April 18.

From the Director of the British Museum Sir. Your leader of April 16 stated that the National Audit Office has accused the British Museum of scandalously neglecting the mil-lious of works that lie unexhibited in their collections. The Audit Office has made no such accusation. Its report, which deals with value for money, made little direct criticism of the museum. It discussed the museum's acquisition and disposal problems with some sympathy; investigated security with some approval, and pointed to problems of conservation and stocktaking.

This last matter is perhaps the most difficult of solution, but steps are being taken to deal with it. The British Museum has, bowever, perhaps the largest and most sophisticated conservation unit in the world. It will spend some £t million this year in hands-oo conservation. Since 1985 the museum has used, or is using, more than £10 million of oon-Government money to increase its facilities (including rehousing half its conservation staff in modern laboratories).

Our current programme will, in the long term, contain the conservation problems — with the exception of one important area where additional resources of money and training are needed to bring the collections up to modern standards. This is the western prints, where constant handling by journalists and others is damaging a small percentage of our vast collection (one of the largest and most easily accessible research instruments of its sort in the world - some 7,000 visits are made to the Print Room every year by individual researchers). There are methods of tackling this problem and all that is needed are reasonable extra resources.

All our high-value works of art are being well conserved and are constantly monitored; the mil-lions of works which lie unexhibited in our collections" are in fact largely the tools of inter-national scholarship assembled over more than 200 years - fliot implements, potsherds, cuneiform tablets, papyri, etc - which are

Keeping own counsel

From Mr Roger Davey
Sir, It is to be regretted that Mr
Roger Gray, QC (April 18) feels that a useful purpose is served by giving us his views on the questioo of direct access to the Bar, ahead of the report of the Marre committee. Clearly he would like to preserve—the restrictive practice whereby, save for exceptions, a lay client is prevented from enjoying direct access to his barrister.

With the greatest respect, I am bound to say that the arguments produced by Mr Gray perhaps owe more to protecting the Bar's interest than public interest. Experienced counsel will remain bjective, however near, or tire-

Training cutbacks From Mr Richard Price

Sir, Harvey Elliott (report, April 11) highlights an alarming shortage of aircraft maintenance engineers and part of this is undoubtedly due to cutbacks in training by the major airlines. In addition, the problem is exacerbated by the tendency of smaller airline companies to peach, but oot to train.

Surely what is required now is a quality YTS-funded aircraft engineering programme directed specifically at the smaller operator to combat this serious skills shortage.

The aim of the Youth Training Scheme, after all, is to provide quality training for young people to equip them with the skills needed by iodustry and it would seem that the aircraft sector in particular would benefit from such a programme. Yours faithfully, R. PRICE

North Sussex Training Association, Crawley College of Technology, 35A Hasslett Avenue, Crawley, West Sussex. April 12.

Early birds

From Mr Michael Davison Sir, Among the invitations in this morning's post to time-share on the Costa del Sol and cruise in the Caribbean, oot popped a Christ-mas greetings card, complete with robins, sprigs of holly and snowflakes.

I appreciate the generous spirit of the senders in giving me this early opportunity to send for their Christmas gift catalogue; but I think not just yet, thank you.

Yours faithfully. MICHAEL DAVISON, 5 St Albans Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey. April 19.

Caught out

April 18.

June 25 is correct.

From Mr Henry James Sir, I learn from "School announcements" in today's Times (April 18) that Eton will be playing Harrow at Lord's on Saturday, June 25, and that Harrow will be playing Etoo at Lord's oo Sat-urday, July 2. I suppose that each side will claim victory by default, but the MCC may be less than pleased. Yours faithfully, HENRY JAMES, St James's House,

Brightwell-cum-Sotwell, Wallingford, Oxfordshire.

argument for abolishing the exist-ing power of the courts to give short custodial sentences for 14year-old boys ("Pointless pen-alties", April 15), misses some important points.

successes in invenile justice. It is now generally accepted that, wherever possible, juvenile offenders should be dealt with in the community. This represents a huge shift in attitude. Its impact has been dramatic.

sale by the University of Manchester of the precious books from the Rylands Library, merely outrage. As far as museums and galleries are concerned, some already have limited powers of disposal for reasons such as duplication, in-festatioo, etc. the Victoria and Albert and British museums being the most important examples. However, what is worrying is that the Government is planning to enable the trustees of the National Gallery, National Portrait Gallery and Tate Gallery to sell unique paintings from their collections. the community.

to illustrate fully the nature and extent of juvenile offending. In 1986, 22,500 14-year-old boys were sentenced or cautioned for indictable offences. Over 1,700 of them were dealt with for offences of violence, sexual offences and robbery; more than 4,700 were dealt with for burglary.

But the real problem arises in the future. What if the Government brings pressure to bear on the trustees to sell? After all, a former Administration, under Mr Edward Heath, did exactly that when it "persuaded" the trustees to impose admission charges much against their will. And history has an unhappy knack of repeating itself.

Finally. I fear that it would not be so-called minor works which would be the first to be sold, but the most valuable to, as you say, millionaires in America - and, increasingly, in Asia - who would cheerfully pay fortunes for many of these works. Yours faithfully,

HUGH LEGGATT, Leggatt Brothers, 17 Duke Street, St James's, SW1. April 17.

some, the client may be. To argue against direct access is to ioterfere with the freedom of choice of the barrister as well as of the client. Let us each make our own choices without being told by

I remain, yours faithfully, ROGER DAVEY, Maltoo House, 24 Hampshire Terrace,

Portsmouth, Hampshire.

that there are oo choices.

Media differences

From Mr G. G. Thomason Sir, In all the talk about media bias and inaccuracies, oo one seems to mention a fundamental difference tween broadcasting and the DIESS

others what choices to make, or

Reports in newspapers are printed only once in an issue, and even then oeed not be read. Reports on radio and TV are repeated in bulletin after bulletin - often several times in each bulletin - and cannot be avoided without switching off the whole DIOGERMINE.

Such brainwashing is normally harmless, but sometimes the selected items include a summary of a newspaper "exclusive" which is disseminated country-wide, giving it an authority it may oot deserve. Yours faithfully, G. G. THOMASON. Silverdale, 8 Ouseley Road,

Old Windsor, Berkshire. Bottoms up From Captain D. Pentreath, RN (retd)

Sir, I am grateful to Professor Harris (April 14) for reminding your readers how to avoid placing an object the wrong way up. Two years ago, when I was Com-modore of the Clyde Submarine Base, we had a similar problem over a missile warhead which was eventually solved by stencilling the following instructions on the

It is necessary for technical reasons that this warhead be stored with the top at the bottom and the bottom at the top. In order that there may be no doubt as to which is the top and which is the bottom for storage purposes, it should be noted that the bottom of each warhead has been clearly labelled with the word "Top".

I would not recommend this solution to VSEL (Vickers Shipbuilding and Engineering, Ltd, letter, April 14). Yours faithfully D. PENTREATH The Old House, Holt Green.

Feline fiends

Wimborne, Dorset.

container:

From Mrs E. M. Leeming Sir, I wonder if Mr Jack Adrian, of Clematis Cottage, near Malvern (April 14), would like to have my two-year-old cat, Pippin, to live with him io the countryside.

Apart from the usual mice and small birds, I have a horrifying selection of corpses brought in through the cat flap — squirrels, worms, wood pigeons, bats, and frogs (which emit a terrible squeaking noise). These are not killed for some unknown reason, and have to be picked up and taken along the road and sur-reptitiously dropped over a hedge or they will be promptly caught again.

I do not, unfortunately, live in the Worcestershire countryside but in a flat in a subsurban road. I think Pippin is more of a car-

Custody power over 14-year-olds From Mr John Patten, Minister of State, Home Office Sir, Robert Kilroy-Silk, in his server only 6,400 14-year-old a server only 6,400 14-year-old a server only 6,400 14-year-old a

First, he fails to mention recent

As recently as 1981 we were locking up nearly 8,000 juveniles under 17. By 1986, within five years, the figure had dropped to only about 4,500. The Government iotroduced a new sentencing framework for young offenders aimed at keeping them out of custody wherever possible, and has backed this with large sums of money to provide facilities for dealing with young offenders in

Mr Kilroy-Silk's article also fails

Finding the way

From Mr A. D. H. Leishman Sir. Your report (April 12) of lost drivers wasting £200 million in Britain's cities prompts me to make one suggestion to the Department of Transport. It is time all highway authorities were told to ignore municipal bound-aries when signposting.

This is already the case in Londoo where, if local authority areas were taken into account, we would have signs in The Strand in the City of Westminster iodicating "London" further down the street past Temple Bar, where the actual City of London begins. Absurd though that may sound, there is a not dissimilar instance in Nottingham.

Only a mile or so from Old Market Square we have signs at Trent Bridge saying "Nottingham", because the south side of the river at that point happens to be in a borough, not the city. But motorists from the east and south would also be going "to Notting-ham" if they carried on west along the river rather than crossing by Trent Bridge, because the city extends south of the river further

What motorists want to know is not when they are crossing bound-aries - that is oot the job of traffic direction signs - but where they are in the built-up area of Nottingham and where within that area the centre and other parts are.

In crossing at Trent Bridge the motorist is heading towards "central Nottingham", and that is what the signs should say, as ocwer signs now do in London, presumably from a predetermined dis-tance from Charing Cross, which has nothing to do with borough boundaries.

I am, Sir. yours faithfully, A. D. H. LEISHMAN. As from: 75 King Street, Southwell, Nottioghamshire.

Electricity rebates

From the Director of the Electricity Consumers' Council Sir, John Hannan, MP (April 9) is right. The Electricity Consumers' Council has welcomed the Gov-ernment's intention to legislate for customer rights when the electricity industry is privatised. How-ever, the East Midlands Electricity Board's £5 voucher scheme, though laudable, is no more than a

first step. The Electricity Consumers' Council is looking for a regulatory regime which will protect customers from any abuse of the monopoly position of distribution companies. That means far more than small cash penalties, for instance, for failing to deliver a

cooker oo time. Electricity is the basic energy source without which oothing works. The regulatory regime must reflect that fact and be able to penalise shareholders for poor practice or declining standards as well as compensate customers

directly. Furthermore, this council will oppose any proposals which do not provide adequate penalties and safeguards. Yours sincerely.

JENNY KIRKPATRICK, Electricity Consumers' Council. 2/16 Torringtoo Place, WC1.

nivore than the foxes I feed

outside my flat every night; they

love bread and jam and chocolate! Yours faithfully, EUGÉNIE M. LEEMING,

4 Maybury Court, Shaftesbury Road, Woking, Surrey. April 14.

From Mrs Diana Sturch Sir. My three cats (hunting abilities ranging from incompetent to pathetie) frequently and proudly bring home "kills" of bacco rind and crusts. I wonder how many of the birds and small mammals brought home by the nation's cats have died from other causes and have been passed off as "kills" by crafty and dishonest felines. Yours sincerely

DIANA STURCH. 68 Pinner Road, Northwood, Middlesex. April 15.

These figures speak for them-selves. On the other hand, there were only 6,400 14-year-old girl

offenders, of whom over 90 per cent had committed theft and other non-violent offences. Given the size and nature of the

problem, it would be wrong to deprive the courts of the power as a last resort to use custody for 14-year-old boys. Sometimes the circumstances of the offence and the offender leave no other option. The huge drop in the use of custody between 1981 and 1986 was achieved without abolishing custody for any group.

The courts have kept their powers to impose custody, but have used them less frequently because alternatives were available in which both they and the public could have coofidence. The Government attaches great importance to improving further the alternatives to custody, and believes that is the constructive way forward. Yours siocerely

JOHN PATTEN, Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, SW1. April 19.



APRIL 21 1960

Mr Leo d'Erlanger (1898 - 1978) was a distinguished banker. Like his grandfather he strongly promoted the idea of o Channel tunnel. He was an influential member of the Channel Tunnel Study Group, whose report is given below

CHANNEL RAILWAY TUNNEL A "PRACTICAL POSSIBILITY" STUDY GROUP'S ESTIMATE OF £109m COST

A railway tunnel, bored or immersed, is "the best means of linking Great Britain and France" and is a practical possibility. It would cost about £109m, of which about £29m would be needed to cover the cost of installations, terminals, and rolling stock and would be pro-vided by the British and French railways. These are the main conclusions of the Channel Tunnel Study Group, whose report was published yesterday.

The group, which was set up in July, 1957, has two chairmen, Sir Ivone Kirkpatrick and M René Massigli, and comprises the Channel Tunnel Company Ltd., the Société Concessionnaire du emin de Fer Sous-Maria Entre La France et L'Angleterre, the Compagnie Financière de Suez, and Technical Studies Incorporated, of New York.

The report, after examining proposals for a road tunnel, a railway tunnel, an immersed tube, and a bridge, decided that at the first stage at least the tunnel or tube should carry a railway rather than a road mainly. rather than a road, mainly because of the capacity and earning potential of the proposed construction. They argue that if a road tunnel was put into service in 1965, its capacity would have to be doubled soon after 1980 while at this time a rail tunnel would have capacity enough to absorb 70 per cent more than the peak traffic estimated - a calculation based on 110 trains a day in each direction, with a theoretical capacity of 216 trains.

TRAFFIC DIVERSION The earning power of a rail tunnel is estimated at £13m. gross in 1965 and £21m. in 1980; the gross receipts of a road tunnel would not be more than £9m. in 1965 and £15m. in 1980. The figures assume a substantial diversion of traffic from the seaborne service to the coach service between British and French terminals.

On the financial implications the group point out that if the undertaking was to be financed exclusively by private capital, then various assurances would have to be forthcoming, "without which private capital could not be expected to run the risks involved." The actual cost of a railway tunnel is estimated at £30m., to which must be added interest during construction of about £14m. as well as some £6m. for working capital, expenses of issue in respect of share and loan capital, and other charges.

Assuming that the cost of railway terminals, equipment and rolling stock at some £30m. is financed by the railways, the report states that the study group have considered the problem of private financing on the basis of an investment of about £ t00m. Any such plan for financing the cost of the tunnel must envisage the creation, by a Franco-British treaty, of an international company to finance, construct and own tha tunnel, assume the grant by the two governments of the necessary minimum rights, exemptions and assurances, and be based on a working agreement with the British and French

Mr Leo d'Erlanger, chairman of the English Channel Tunnel Company and a member of the study group, told a press con-ference yesterday that he felt that the earliest the tunnel could be ready for use would be in about six and a half years from now.

railways...



COURT CIRCULAR

April 20: The Princess Royal, Past Master, the Worshipful Company of Farriers, attended a luncheon at Epsom Racecourse (Managing Director, Mr. Timothy Neligan).

Her Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight and was received by Major James More-Molyneux (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Sur-

The Princess Royal President, Royal Yachting Association, this afternoon aucnded a Council Meeting at the Royal Thames Yachi Club. Knights-

bridge. Her Royal Highness, Honorary Fellow, the Institution of Electrical Engineers, this evening attended the Institution's Council Dining Club Dinner at

Savoy Place, London SW1. The Hon. Mrs. Legge-Bourke was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE April 20: The Prince of Wates. Duke of Cornwall, presented the Cornwall Business Challenge Awards at County Hall, Truro and subsequently visited business projects in Cornwall.

His Royal Highness, attended by Mr. David Landale, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Prince of Wales this evening opened an exhibition marking the quattrocentenary of the Spanish Armada at the National Maritime Museum. Greenwich, London SEI 10.

Mr David Wright and Commander Richard Aylard. R.N. were in attendance.

Today's royal engagements

Oucen Elizabeth The Queen Mother will attend a concert at St George's, Hanover Square, at 7,25 to mark the 250th anniversary of the Royal Society of Musicians of Great Britain. The Princess of Wales, Patron of the Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children, will attend a concert at St Nicholas'. New-bury, Berkshire, at 7.25 in aid of

The Princess Royal, president, will attend the launch of the will attend the launch of the publication Prospects for Africa at the Royal Society of Arts at 10.30: will visit the Equine Rehabilitation Centre, Snelterton, Norfolk, at 3.30: and, as President of the British Olympic Association, will attend a recep-tion given by the local branch of the appeal in Norwich Castle Museum Rooms, Norwich, at

The Duke of Gloucester will open the new factory of Keunen Brothers at Irthlingborough, Northamptonshire, at 11.35; and, as Patron of the Friends of Peterborough Cathedral, will visit the cathedral at 2.30 on the occasion of the 750th anniver-

The Duchess of Gloucester will altend the "Healthy Hearts" Ball at the Hurlingham Club at Prevcouon Group.

Furniture Makers' company

The following have been elected officers of the Furoiture Makers* Company for the ensuing year: Master, Mr Roger H Richard-son; Senior Warden, Mr John Reid: Junior Warden, Mr Rohin W C Waring.

New Bencher

Mr Nigel Thornton Hague, QC. has been elected a Bencher of The Honourable Society of Lin-

tron. London City Ballet. attended a dog racing evening, in aid of the charity, at Wembley Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith

the remote southern Italian province of Calabria, probably painted The Concert in the

1630s, not long after his

It is one of a number of half-

length genre scenes, invariably

showing musicians, dice play-

ers or card players, which have

been convincingly dated to this period of Preti's career. The

obvious influence is that of

In this canvas, the boldness

of the chiaroscuro, which

leaves large areas of the work

in stygian gloom and bathes significant details - notably

heads, hands, and the wom-

an's decolletage — in bright

light, is a clear legacy from

Caravaggio, as is the romantic

elaboration of the figures'

On the other hand, the enigmatic treatment of the

subject is arguably more in

tune with Venetian precedents.

The exceptionally reflective young woman with her flutter-

ing veil may be presumed to be engaged in singing a duet with the boy around whom she puts

Mnuth open, he is totally

University of

London degrees

Faculty of Science

A Walsh: a J Wright.

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arrival in Rome.

Caravaggio.

and Major Christopher Lavender were in attendance.

CLARENCE HOUSE April 20: Commandant M.H. Fleicher ioday had the honour

of being received hy Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother, Commandant-in-Chief, Women's Royal Naval Service, upon relinquishing her appointment as Director. Commandani A. Larkin also

had the honour of being received by Her Majesty upon assuming her appointment as Director, Women's Royal Naval

KENINGTON PALACE April 20: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, President of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. this afternoon opened the Society's London Communications Centre at Hatton Garden.

The Hon. Mrs. Wills was in attendance.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE April 20: Princess Alexandra, as Patron of the Ocean Youth Club, was present this evening at a concert given in aid of the New Vessels Appeal at the Mansion House.

Lady Mary Mumford was in attendance.

The Queen celebrates her hirthday today.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Jan van Riebeeck, naval surgeon, founder of Cape Town, Culcimborg, Netherlands, 1619; Friedrich Froehel, educat-or. Oberweissbach, Germany, 1782; Charlotte Bronte, Thornton, Yorkshire. 1816; Hippolyte Taine, philosopher, Vouziers, France, 1828; Sir Herbert Barker, manipulative surgeon, Southport, 1869: Henri de Montherlant, novelist and dramatist, Paris, 1896.

DEATHS: Saint Anselm, Arch-

bishop of Canterbury 1093-1109, Canterbury, 1109; Peter Abelard, theologian, Chalon-sur-Saone, 1142: Henry VII, reigned 1485-1509, Richmond. Surrey, 1509; Eiliza Barron, The "Holy Maid of Kent", executed London. 1534; Jean Racine, dramatist. Paris. 1699; Mark Twain, Redding. Connecticut, 1910; Samuel R Crockett, nov-clist. Avignon. 1914; Robert Bridges. Poet Laureate 1913-30, Chilswell. Kent. 1930; John Chilswell, Kent. 1930; John Maynard Keynes, Baron Keynes economist, Tilton, Somerset, 1946; Sir Stafford Cripps, statesman, Zurich. 1952; Sir Edward Appleton, physicist, Nobel laureate 1947, Edinburgh, 1965; François Duvalier, Presideot of Haiti 1957-71. Port-au-Prince, 1971

Christening

The sons of Jeremy and Sheila Harold Christopher and Nicholas Robert Edward by Canon Edward Powell at St Margaret's Church. Tilbury juxta Clare, Essex, on April 10, 1988. The godparents for Anthony are Mr Martin Waller, Mr Mike Hambly, Mr John Field, Mrs Anne-Louise Garnett and Miss Mary Birley, and for Nicholas are Mr Graham Riddick, MP, Mr Ernest-James Waller, Mr Andrew Small, Miss Belinda Guroey, Mrs Louise Wells and Mrs Lou Johns.

Luncheons

British Medical Association Dr and Mrs Stephen Lock and Professor B. O'Donnell, Professor of Paediatric Surgery at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland, were hosts at a lun-cheon given by the British Medical Association at BMA House to mark the presentation of a tapestry hy Mrs Maria Rogoyska, which was unveiled by Miss Mary Lutyens who was the guest of honour, to the New Nuffield Library on the occasion of its centenary. Sir John Summerson, CH, and Sir Roy Strong were among others

Lord Ellenborough Lord Ellenborough was host at a luncheon held on Tuesday. April 19, at the House of Lords

anniversary of the Towry Law Group. The Chairman of the Towry Law Group, The Hon Cecil Law, was present together with the following financial iournalists:

NI Robin Amiól. Nr Mibir Bose, Miss Lorna Bourke. Mr Neville Boyd-Maunseil, Miss Margaret Coles, Mr Vinceni Dusgleby, Miss Wendy Elkingion. Mr William Esex. Mr John Gaselee. Mr Cifford German. Miss Visien Goldsmith. Mr Robert Martin, Mr John Morgan. Miss Wisien Goldsmith. Mr Robert Martin, Mr John Morgan. Miss Princh and Mr Charles Prick and Mr Bore Miss Pauline Skynala. Mr Mr Stephen Miss Pauline Skynala.

David Webster.

Other representatives of Towry Lawwere: Mr Clive Scoti-Hopkins, Mr Alan Westey, Mr John Bridel, Mr Alastair Culibert, Mr Paul Rylatt, Mr Alastair Helibron, Mr Peter Kerr-Moller, Mr Timothy Goodfellow, Mr Khushroo Ruston, Mr Peter Tonkin, Mrs Elizabeth Bourne, Mr Christopher Backhouse, Mr Lain Henderson, Mr Backhouse, Mr Lain Henderson, Mr Robert Wright, Miss Catherine Mackerson, Mr Robert Wright, Miss Catherine Mr Robert Wright Mr Robert

Latest wills

Sir Douglas William Logan of Restairig, of Chilham, Kent, barrister. Principal of the London University 1948-75, left estate valued at £60,393 net. Mr Vernon Clancey, of Weybridge. Surrey, an explosives expert who investigated the loss of the Air India Boeing 747 over

the Irish Sea in 1985, left estate valued at £312,231 net

Mr lan Montagu Fraser, of Chipstead, Surrey, former Con-servative MP and general sec-retary of the John Lewis Partnership, left estate valued at

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THE THYSSEN MASTERPIECES Mattia Preti, who was born in



absorbed in making music, his eyes intently fixed on the sheet of score he holds in his right

past been raised about the autograph status of the work, there seems no reason to

and Miss J.T. Pryce-Jones

Kensington, London.

Mr W.N. Silver and Miss K. Munro

Mr J.P. Winser

and Miss C.M. Wright

Easterton, Wiltshire.

Dr A.D.B. Waldman

and Dr L.J. Kerr

Mr S.C.P. Ognall

and Miss J. Jones

Harrogate.

The engagement is announce

elder daughter of Mr and Mrs W.M. Munro, of Fernielaw House, Colinton, Edinhurgh.

The engagement is announced between Julian Pole, eldest son of the late Mr Michael Winser

and of Mrs Michael Winser, o

Southwell, Nottinghamshire, and Catherine Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Keith Wright, of

am Dr L.J. herr
The engagement is announced between Adam, son of Dr J.D. Waldman, of Muswell Hill. London, N10, and Mrs D. Owen, of Anglesey, and Louise, d., ghter of Dr and Mrs R.M.B. Kerr, of Grange Park, London.

Marriages

The marriage took place on

Saturday, April 9, in Pannal, Yorkshire, between Mr Simon

C.P. Ognall, eldest son of Sir

Harry Ognall, of London, and

Mrs Jean Swaine, of Harro-

gate, and Miss Jacquelyn

Jones, eldest daughter of Mr

and Miss C.C. Worthington

Royal Memorial Chapel.

Guards, younger son of Major-General and Mrs Hew

Butler, of Bury Lodge, Ham-

bledon, Hampshire, to Miss

Catherine Clare Worthington.

daughter of Mr Philip Worthington, of The Knoll

House, Knossington, Oak-

ham, Leicestershire, and Mrs

Edwin Eyers. of Chobbam

Place, Chobham, Surrey. The

Ven Frank Johnston offici-

ated, assisted hy the Rev Peter

marriage by her father, was attended by Miranda Worth-

ington. Toby Moseley,

Amanda and Oliver Gibson,

Rebecca Butler and Miss Sophie Gale. Mr David

Milligan was best man.

The bride, who was given in

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Forthcoming marriages

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lik and of the late Countess of Erroll, and Miranda, daughter of Captain and Mrs Mervyn Fox-Mr K.H. Baker-Muntoo Mr K.H. Baker-Numtoo
and Miss N.J. Bisson
The engagement is announced
between Kristen Henry, only
son of Mr and Mrs M.H. BakerMunton of Bentons, Bildeston,
Suffolk, and Nicola Jane, only

daughter of Dr Peter and Dr Margaret Bisson, of Robur, Exeter, Devon. Mr J.S. Branfoot

and Miss C.M. Piddock The engagement is announced between Jeremy Standish, son of Commander and Mrs Standish Branfoot, of Epsom, Surrey, and Caroline Marie, younger daughter of the late Mr Charles F. Piddock and Mrs Celia Piddock, of Sevenoaks. Kent

Mr S.R. Eltringham The engagement is announced between Stuart Eluringham and Nicola Hall. of Chingford, Essex.

Mr C. Elwes and Miss P. Woolworth The engagement is announced between Cassian, eldest son of the late Mr Dominick Elwes and of Mrs Tessa Kennedy Kastner, of Runnymede House. Old or Runnymede House. Old Windsor, Berkshire, and Pris-cilla, daughter of Mr R.F. Woolworth, of Winthrop. ME. and New York, United States. and the late Mrs Mireille Woolworth. Mr A.T. Hanna

and Miss M.A. Burt The engagement is announced between Anthony, son of the late Mr Tyrrell Hanna and of Mrs Joyce Hanna, of Aldeburgh, Suffolk, and Margaret Ann, daughter of Mr John Mowlem Burt, of Ewhurst Green, Surrey, and Mrs Linda Burt, of Cowes, Islc of Wight.

Mr D.J. Jacobs and Miss S.M. Lewis-Barned The engagement is announced between David, only son of Mr and Mrs J. Jacobs, of Rustington, West Sussex, and Suzi, only daughter of Mr and Mrs J.F. Lewis-Barned. of Church Hanhorough, Oxfordshire.

Mr D.J. Plewis and Miss S. Halliday Hyde The engagement is announced between David John, only son of Mr and Mrs W.T.G. Plewis, of Gravesend, Kent, and Su-zanne, only child of Mr and Mrs J.J. Hyde, of Gravesend, Kent.

Mr J. McCollister and Miss C. Rhoden The engagement is announced between John, son of Dr and Mrs Ben McCallister, of Kansas

and Caroline, daughter of Mrs Charles H. Price, II, and stepdaughter of the American Ambassador to the Court of St Birthdays today Sir George Burton, former chairman, Fisons, 72; Mr Charles Carrington, author, 91; the Earl of Derby, 70; Sir Eric Faulker, former chairman, loude Pank, 71; Park, 72; Pank, 73; Pank, 74; Pank, 74;

Music, 49; Dr Halfdan Mahler, director-general, WHO, 65; Miss Angela Mortimer, tennis player, 56; Mr John Mortimer, QC, barrister, playwright and author, 65; Mr Norman Parkinson, photographer, 25; Faw. Lloyds Bank, 74; Professor Sir Laurence Gowing, painter, 70: Air Marshal Sir John Hunter-Tod, 71: Mr John McCabe. son, photographer, 75; Sir Ray-mond Potter, former chairman, Halifax Building Society, 72: Mr Anthony Quinn, actor, 73. director, London College of

Families for Defence Patrons Club
Lady Olga Maitland, Chairman
of Families for Defence Patrons
Club, presided at a dinner held
at the House of Commons last between David. son of Dr Harold Shukman, of Oxford, and Mrs Ann Shukman, of Somerton, Oxfordsbire, and Jessica, daughter of Mr and the Hon Mrs David Pryce-Jones. of

European-Atlantic Group Lord Rippon of Hexham. QC. were the speakers at the dinner. Among those present were:

Management Consultancies

and Mrs C.M. Jones. of Association Mr lain Vallance was the guest Saturday, April 9, 1988 in the Sandhurst, of Major Mark Thomas Dacres Butler, 5th The Fart of Landerdale Royal Inniskilling Dragoon

The Earl of Lauderdale enter-The Earl of Laudendare emer-tained the Parliamentary group for Energy Studies al dinner yesterday evening in the House of Lords. Mr Cecil Parkinson. Secretary of State for Energy. was the guest of honour. Others present included:

The Officers of HMS Cumber-land and HMS Norfolk held a

Dinners

The canvas is one of those

on show in the Thysen-

Bornemisza Collection, spon-

sored by The Times, at the

Royal Academy until June 12.

OBITUARY

Sir Athelstan Caroe. CBE, who died on April 18, aged 84, was the man who guided the

Trustee Savings Bank move-

ment towards becoming the

major banking force it is

He started his banking ca-

reer, as one of many interests,

as a trustee of the Liverpool

TSB. As chairman of the

Trustee Savings Banks Associ-ation from 1966-76 and then

as president of the TSB Cen-

tral Board, he was in at the

start of its evolution from a

large number of individual

savings banks, mostly serving

small savers, ioto a bank with

cheque accounts, loan facil-

ities and its own unit trust and

Einar Athelstan Gordon

Caroe was born in Liverpool

in 1903. He was educated at

Eton and Trinity College, Cambridge, and spent 18 months with relatives in the

After a spell in South Africa

he joined the firm of W. S. Williamson and Co as senior

He was also a director of

insurance companies and of

Minton's, the pottery firm. For many years he was Danish consul in Liverpool. He was

Pro-Chancellor of Liverpool

In 1960 he became presi-

dent of the International Savings Banks Institute. His

command of five languages -

French, German, Spanish,

Italian and Danish - helped

him forge strong links for the

He was president of the TSB Central Board from 1979 until

At Eton he shone on the

good at cricket, but tennis of his first marriage. His first turned out to be his game. He wife died in 1947.

SR RAFAEL CALVO SERER

Señor Rafael Calvo Serer, who Monde. Le Figuro, the Inter-

football field and was equally

died in Pamplona on April 19,

at the age of 71, was a prominent Spanish newspaper

proprietor whose pioneering

efforts during the latter years

of the Franco regime helped

lay the ground for today's.

flourishing press freedom in

Calvo Serer achieved fame

largely as the publisher of Madrid the evening news-

paper which was closed down

by the Franco regime in November 1971, when it had

achieved the precarious status

of the capital's only really

independent daily. It had already suffered numerous

temporary closure orders and

fines, as a result of its publish-

ing information and editorials

to which the Government

The end came dramatically

after the regime had stub-

bornly ignored pleas by the

printers, and its offices had to

be sold off. The building was

blown up in April 1973 as

crowds watched, to make way

for a new property develop-

The censors had first struck,

closing down the paper for two

months when an ingenious

editorial was published on

May 30, 1968, entitled,

Retirement at the Right

Time. No to General De Gaulle." Every discriminating

Spanish reader knew it re-

ferred not to the French

leader, but to General Franco.

trial and probable prison sen-

tence, fled to Paris, where he

continued to harrass Franco

Ernest Millen, one of Lon-

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MR ERNEST MILLEN

Calvo Serer, faced with a

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SIR ATHELSTAN

CARÖE

A new face on the TSB

was a member of the Lan-

cashire county tennis team in

1931, won the county doubles

championship in 1933 and

went on to play at-

His other great hobby was philately - he was a world

expert on Scandinavian

In his various offices he was

known for his ability to dis-

entangle complicated issues

He had a concise style of

expression that probably came

from what he called his foible

of writing all his correspondence in longhand.

He attributed his character

very much to his father, who brought us np on the his Micawher principle. There was room for hire purchase

within limits, he once said

a man who spends less than his income, lives well within

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lives the happiest life and is probably the better citizen.

wife, a son and daughter of his

second marriage and two some

national Herald Tribune and

other foreign dailies. The re-

gime had prepared charges

against him of "endangering the security of the state" and

he was subsequently charged

in absentia with political

In 1974, when the regime

was nearing its end, Calvo Serer-played an active part in the foundation of the Demo-

cratic Junta, a coalition of clandestine democratic parties

which was preparing for the future. In June, 1976, seven

months after Franco's death,

he returned to Spain and was imprisoned briefly only to be amnestied soon afterwards.

That same year Spain's

Supreme Court ruled that the

closure of his newspaper by

the government had been

illegal. In 1977 the same court

confirmed that verdict and

ordered the post-Franco gov-

ernment to pay compensation

and damages. With democ-

racy established, the Supreme

Court set the amount owed to

Calvo Serer as 518 million.

pesetas (£2.6 million) plus:

Calvo Serer's militant opp-

osition to the dictatorship did

not seem conditioned in any

way by his self-confessed

membership in the Roman

Catholic lay organisation.

Opus Dei, several of whose

members were ministers of the Franco Governments dur-

ing the time of his persecution.

He always insisted that his

own actions had dem-

onstrated that political free-

dom existed within Opus Dei.

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strong-minded liberals like

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interest.

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Wimbledon.

stamps.

Chairman of the European-Atlanuc Group, presided at a dinner held at St Ermin's Hotel last night for Mr John Tusa, Managing Director of External Services, BBC, after he spoke at a meeting held at the House of Commons at which Sir Antony Buck. QC. MP, presided and Lord Banks also spoke. Lord Chalfont and Sir Frank Roberts

Anglo-Spanish Society Don Miguel Angel Velarde. Consul General at the Spanish Embassy, presided at the annual dinner of the Anglo-Spanish Society held last night at the Inn oo the Park Hotel. Sir Richard Parsons also spoke and Sir Ronald Lindsay of Dowhill, vice-chairman, received the guests.

present included:
The Hon Alick Buchanan-Smith, MP (chairman), Mr Richard Alexander, MP, Mr Spenrer Baliste, MP, the Earl of Bessborough, Dr Michael Clark, MP, Lord Clitheroe, Lord Croham, Mr Ceolire, Dickens, MP, Mr Alexander Eadie, MP, Lord Elbank, Lord Gray of Contin, Lord Cregson, Mr Neil Hamilton, MP, Mr Joho Hannam, MP, Veccun, Hono, Mr Mell Hamilton, MP, Mr John Hannam, MP, Mr David Lamble, MP, Sir Ian Lovd, MP, Mr John Marshall, MP, Lord Renwick, Baroness Robson of Kiddington, Mr Alian Rogers, MP, Mr Peter Rost, MP, Mr Andrew Rove, MP, Mr Peter Rost, MP, Mr Andrew Rove, MP, Mr Tony Speller, MP, Dr Alan Williams, MP, and representatives of associated organisations

Mess Dinner last night at the Royal Scottish Automobile Club in Glasgow, presided over by Lieutenant Commander C.L. Palmer. RN. The guest of honour was Mr lan McIntyre of Yarrow Shipbuilders Ltd.

been appointed Honorary Physician 10 Her Majesty he Queen with effect from April 24 in succession to Air Vice-Marshal F C Hurrell.

School announcements

Trinity Term begins today. Handel's Mexical will be performed by the Choral Society in St Thomas's Church on May 7. The Old Brentwoods' Dinner will be held on May 27 and Half-term is from May 27 to June 5. Preparatory School prize-giving and open day will be beld on Saturday. June 18 with Mr David Hart being the guest of honour. Junior School Speech Day will be held on Friday, June 24 in the Courage Hall with Mr B. Herm as guest of honour and support of honour and support of honour and support of honour and support of honour support of honour as guest of honour and support of honour suppor B. Hearn as guest of honour. Senior School Speech Day will be held on Saturday. June 25. The Preacher for the Commemoration Service will be Canon Sebastian Charles, Canon of Westminster, and the guest of honour for prize-giving will be Sir Terence Beckett. A promo-nade concert will be held in the evening. The term ends on Friday, July I.

Brentwood School

Bedford School

Summer Term begins today with 1131 boys in the school. Confirmation will be conducted by the Right Rev D.J. Farm-borough, Bishop of Bedford, on May 1. The service in commemoration of founders and benefactors takes place at 11.00 am on Sunday, May 15, in the school chapel when the address will be given by the Very Rev Michael Mayne, Dean of Westminster. Old Bedfordians and festival week begins on Sunday.

June 26. Sir James and Lady Hennessy and the acting head master and Mrs Barlen will be at home to Old Bedfordians on Saturday, July 2, at 12.00 pm. Paul Jones remains head of school, Sean Costello captain of boats and Michael Simms is captain of cricket.

Bedford High School Summer Term begins today and ends on July 8, 1988. Mrs E. Surber, from Cheltenham Ladies' College, joins the staff as Second Deputy and Head of the Second Deputy and Head of the Senior School. The Head Girl is Genevieve Findlay. The guild biennial meeting will be held at the school on Friday. May 6 and Saturday. May 7. Confirmation is on Sunday, May 8, at St Martin's Church. The junior school play. The Wizard of Ozwill take place on June 30 and will take place on June 30 and July I and 2.

Colfe's School Summer Term begins today and ends on July 8. Half term is from May 30-June 3. Mr G. Houssein is duty deputy headmaster and retires at the end of term. Prince Michael of Kent will open the new preparatory School building on Leathersellers' Visitation Day. June 23. Old Colfeians and friends of the school are asked to write for invitations. The Right Rev Lord Coggan will give the Colfe Sermon at St Alfege's Church on June 12. The Junior Players perform The Long, the Short and the Tall on June 14 and 15. The Cricket X1. Captain R. Harmer, plays MCC on July 6. OCs oo July 2 and Leathersellers on June 26. The Chamber Choir will be resident in Clauseter Cathedral from in Gloucester Cathedral from August 22-28. Dixie Grammar School

Dixe Grammar School
Trinity Term began on Tuesday,
April 19 and ends on Thursday,
July 14. The half-term break is
from Monday. May 30 to Friday, June 3. The trustees have
appointed Mr C.C. Haddon to
the post of Senior Master. The
award of the first extent of the award of the first scholarship since the re-founding of the school in September 1987 has been made to Kate Anne Ed-wards of St Mary's C.E. School. Bitterswell (Wolfson Scholar). St Edward's School, Oxford

Term began on Monday, April 18, with Patrick Reason as head of school and Roy Sievers as deputy head. This year marks the 125th anniversary of the founding of the school, Gaudy will start on Friday, May 27, with the topping out of the new Centre for Art, Design. Technology and Mathematics by Mr Graham Cooper. On the Saturday the sermon will be urday the sermon will be preached by the Rev David Conner and the prizes will be presented by Mr Peter Oppenheimer. Special Gaudy will be on Saturday, June 18. There will be open air performances of lleria Rusticana on June 28 and 29. Term ends on June 30. death must gave cost him

night sponsored by Sir Antony Buck, QC, MP, Mr David Mellor, QC. Minister of State at the Foreign and Common-wealth Office, was the guest speaker. Among those present The engagement is announced between William, second son of the late Mr A. Silver and of Mrs Polly Silver, of William House. Orford, Suffolk, and Katrina,

Among mose present were:
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of bonour at a dioner given by the Management Consultancies Association, at the Cavairy and Guards Cluh, Mr Jim Donaldson, chairman of the association, presided.

Appointment Air Vice-Marshal N H Mills has

such famous cases as the Great Train Robbery and the smashing of the Richardson and the Kray Gangs, has died at the age of 76. When he retired as Deputy

Assistant Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police in 1969 he had the satisfaction of having supervized the investigations which led to the conviction of some of the ringleaders of the Great Train Robbery , but had to admit that more than £2 million in bank notes was still roissing. The whole truth may

roented wryly. 1950s and 1960s, involved in Millen was famous for his

extreme determination when working on a case and once, when he had a child murder on his books immediately after the Second World War. he had a whole English provincial town of 48,000 inhabitants finger printed, and eventually detected the criminal among the last 900 examined.

His experience led him firmly to believe that Britain would be better equipped to fight crime if it instituted a national fingerprint register.

Sir Richard Southby, OBE (Mil), 2nd Baronet, who died on April 4, at the age of 77, served during the last war with the Rifle Brigade, from which he retired with the rank of lieutenantcolonel. He was awarded the American Medal of Freedom.

He farmed for many years in Rhodesia (mainly cattle and maize) and until his death regarded South Africa as a second home, usually travelling there each year. He was four times married; and his only child, John Richard

Bilbe Southby, a son by his second wife, succeeds him. SIR JOHN CLEMENTS

Sir John Gielgud writes:

The death of Sir John Clements (obituary April 8) has saddened me very much. Although I knew him not at all intimately, I greatly admired his independence and enterprise in his seasons, when he chose such a distinguished list of plays and so modestly starred in many of them with

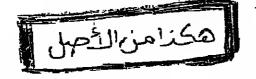
Chichester where he managed the theatre so admirably, she was already stricken, but they would both appear on first nights, there, impeccably elegant, to receive a rapturous welcome in the auditorium.

Her illness and eventual

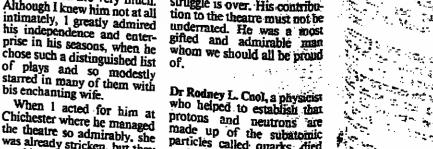
dreadful strain and sadness during bis last years, and one can only be glad that the struggle is over. His contribuof.

particles called quarks, died on April 16 in New York, aged

The discovery was made in: the 1970s while he was working at the European Centre for Nuclear Research (CERN) in Geneva.







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Read, Landon WCI, on Thesday the 3rd
Hely 1988, at 10,00 or clock in the forelose for the Proposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 or the said Act.
A lief of the names and addresses of the
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MERCY On April 16th, to Angela (née Maynard) and Roger, twin designers, Hannah Eliza and Georgia Kate, sisters to Jack. OLADER - On April 7th 1988, to Detorah (see Wertner) and Barry, a son, Renismin Jacob, a brother for

anceláil - On April 13th, to Sally (née William) and Flugh, a damphier. Elizabeth Charlotte Rachel. guests. On April 14th 1988, to Sian (see Pearson) and Nichotas, a daughter. Jestes Alica, a sister for Emily. ORINAM - On April 19th, at St. Thomas's Hospital to Ros (née Horiet) and lettes a daughter. Otivia Charlotte, a sister to Carnélia.

MARTIN - On April 18th 1968, to Flora (nie Greenwood) and Charles, MOME - On April 7th 1988, in New Zesland to Emma (née Pollak) and Rick, a son, Allister Robert. PEACOCK - On April 12th 1988, to Hong Kong, to Unice and Nicholas, a drughter, Christina Marie. STEELE On April 11th 1988, to Existent tone Wildmoon) and David, a daughter. Katherine Ethabeth. WOODE - On April 19th, to Flow (nie Bevm) and Simon, a son, Oliver James Salisbury, a brother for

YATES - On April 18th, to Madeleine (née Haddon) and Paul, a son. Harry Joint Tennant. MARRIAGES

BRUSSIACHUSTACK - On April 16th 1968, at Christ Church, Chelmsford, Andrew elder son of Mr. John Drumsond and Mrs. June Drumsond, by Harriet, daughter of Mr. Keith Stack and Mrs. Caroline

DEATHS

ANDERSON SAFTH - On April 28th 1988, after a long liness cheerfully borne, Madge Honor, much loved mother of Gill, grandmother of Michael, Peter and Clare and proud great grandmother, Funeral service at St George's, Bicknoller on Monday April 28th at 1.30 pm followed by cremation. No flowers please but donations if desired to Leonard E Smith, 1 Haydon Road, Taunton TA1 18Y for MENCAP or Taunton Samurinans.

ARSON -On April 9th 1988, at home. Annabel Frances Rosalind, in her 21st year, much loved daughter of John Anson and his late wife. Brook, and sister of Martin. Funeral at Putney Vale Cemetarty at 2.15 pm on Friday April 29th. Flowers in Mathias, 213 Upper Richmond Road, London SW15. London SW15.

Thougas - On April 13th, Haling, of Jeanor Fields, Swits, Requien mass, at. St. John's, Polish Church, Putney on Tuesday April 26th at 1 pm, followed by cremation at Putney Vale.

BEALES On ANE 19th 1988, Hoph-Lancelot, aged. 99, after 8 short liness. Funeral in East Chapet. Goigers Green Cremainstum on Wednesday April 27th at 11.50am. Enquiries to Levetons at 624. Finchley Road, NW11. Tel. 01.455-Butlock - On April 19th, at a Burgess Hill Nursing home, Dorren Margaret (nee Money) aged 89.

Margaret (née Money) aged 89.
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CLE. O.B.E. formerty of
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CARGE CO. April 19th. 1988. peacerully. Sir Afficient Case of Scotton, the destry loved husband of June. Inther of Fred. Andrew. Clarissa and Patrick. Private functal service and interment at St Peter's Church. Scotton on Tuesday April 26th at 12 scon. A Memorial Service at Liverpool will be amnounced at a later date. Enquiries to: L Stewart & Son. let: Garstang (19982) 2315. CROUNLEY - On April 19th. Thomas Michael (Joe), efter an illness fought in faith and with courage. Service at St.Ocorpes Church. Ashtead. Surrey on Monday 28th Abril at 10 am.

on Monday 25th April at 10 am.

GRACEY - On April 19th, peacefully after an liness fought with courses and digasty at Bienheim Lodge, Minchead, William Bruce Whitla (Bill) DFC of Pillar House, Old Cleeve, husband of the late Monica and dearly loved father of Tim and Biddy. Private cremation followed by a memorial service at St. Andrews, Old Cleeve on April 22nd at 11,30am. Family flowers only please.

Michigan - On April 19th, at Edenhall Nursing house after a long illness courageously borne, Evelyn Frances (Susank formerty of London NW6, dear friend to many Cremation private. No flowers, but donations if whised to Marie Curie Memorial Foundation. Enquiries to Leverton 01-505 4221.

1851. - On April 18th 1968, at Themes Mead Nursing Home, Josephine, widow of the late Colonel Reginald Hill. ferroerty of Henkey-On-Thomes. First, restrictly of Hensey-Cri-Thames.

HOWARD - On April 16th 1968.

soddenly but peacefully, John Kenreth Robert, aged 82, hosband of the late Prodence and beloved father of Andrew and Richard, Privale Cremation followed by a Thamkopiving Service at St. Nicholas. Church, Remembarn, Henley-Cri-Thames on Tuesday April 26th at 2.30pm. No flowers please. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

JOHEBES - On April 17th, Henry Percy Jobbins. Freeman of the City of London, much loved husband of Mariorie. Eather of David and grandpa of William, suddenly but Peacefully in Harold Wood Hospital. Esset. Private cremation on Priday at Uprainater Crematory on Priday at Oppainater Crematory as upsport to flower but demandress in semport to

emortal service will be beld at St fee's Church, South Weald, of storday April 30th at 12 poor.

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THE ARTS

When asked what was the most important fact in modern history, Bismark replied: "the fact that North America speaks English." The excellent opening programme in An Ocean Apart, BBCI's new series about the relationship between Britain and America, reminded us, however, that during the First World War the two countries were at times divided not just, as the saying goes, by their common language, but also by ser-ious political differences. Woodrow Wilson was even moved to declare: "If the allies want war with as, we will not shrink from it".

Though a co-production with two American channels, the programme, which was presented by David Dimbleby with sharpness and clarity, owed more to the better traditions of Britisb broadcasting than the somewhat glib approaches to bistory of much current American commercial television. There was no coffee-tablebook wrapping of cosy waffle about the specialness of the special relationship.

Dimbleby opened by going straight to the heart of the matter: the moment in 1916 when the Britisb Cabinet realized that the

Inevitably, there was distortion through omissing, but an enormous amount of ground was covered, aided by a fascinating selections of clips of war and peace and some splended old interview-Most splendid of all was Lloyd George's private secretary, that remarkably vivacious 98 year nid, A.J. Sylvester — even though there was no mention of his provess as a champion touchtypist and ballroom dancer.

The science review programme Antenna (BBC2) gave us another incredibly alert old-timer — the great scientist, Linus Pauling. Pauling revealed that his Nobel Prize-winning idea came when in bed with a cold. Perhaps it would not have arrived if he had been then practising his later controver-sial, but cold-preventing, preach-ing about the medicinal benefits of Vitamin C.

Andrew Hislop

Premature prize

CONCERT

LPO/Sanderling Festival Hall

Since that hiennial BBC gameshow, the Young Musician of the Year, is imminent, it was timely to be reminded of the pressures and pitfalls which lie in store for talented young players who win (or indeed fail to win) such supposedly helpful competitions.

This reminder came at the Festival Hall on Tuesday night when Jane Atkins collected her reward for being the London Philharmonic/Pioneer Young Soloist of the Year, a concerto performance with the LPO.

Atkins is undoubtedly a most promising second-year viola student at the Guildhall School of Music, and she played Walton's Viola Concerto exactly as one would expect a second-year student to play it. There were signs of a secure technique, particularly in the quick middle movement, and one could detect a workable blueprint for a future interpreHowever, nerves must have affected her intonation in the first movement, and her sound was rather small to establish any authority over orchestral playing that was not noticeably sympathetic in its restraint. Moreover, she has yet to develop the art of varying her tone colour.

So the prize of this high-profile concerto opportunity seemed disproportionate, to either her needs or her ability, at this stage in her education. But I hope she remembered to enjoy herself.

Kurt Sanderling was on the podium, supervising was on the podium, supervising with his customary gravitas a solid performance of Weber's Der Freischutz overture, but labouring a little uninspiringly over Sibelius's Second Symphony. Phrasing in long, smooth spans is fine for the first two movements, where exposition is everything, but the finale needs far more drive and a greater sense of exultant revelation than Sanderling generated.

Still, he always produces a warm orchestral sound, and there was much characterful wind playing.

Richard Morrison

LONDON DEBUTS

It is not surprising that the American soprano Roberta Prada should have special sympathy for Hispanic song. She lived in Argenfor some time. Nevertheless her Purcell Room recital programme, in which she was accompanied by the ever sensitive Roger Vignoles, was remarkably wide ranging, beginning with a neat European mixture of Verdi, Strauss and Poulenc.

Later, Granados's Canciones Amatorias revealed simultaneous-ly the best of her assets and the worst of her deficiencies, a voice full of colour hut also paiches of less than perfect tonal control. There could be no argument about her performances of north American songs, however. In Ives's "The Circus Band," "Down East," and "The Side Show," she won ber audience over with an artful combination of sentimentality and razzmaiazz

The flautist Ileanea Ruhemann, with the pianist Julius Drake, gave a Wigmore Hall programme which seemed to favour virtuosity by beginning (rather than ending) with Georges Hue's Fantaisie, an unerly typical Paris Conservatoire competition piece, and these performers' own arrangements of a fantasy by Genin on themes from Rigoletto. Ruhemann is a marvellous player, hlessed with facility and a pleasingly concentrated tone, and she followed these works with substantial music - Martinu's expansive First Sonata's and Prokofiev's D major Sonats and a new work by Julian Jacobson, Vers la Valse.

The Pembridge Ensemble's Purcell Room programme was far more solid. This versatile group, consisting of piano (Timothy Carey), flute (Clare Southworth) oboe (Christopher O'Neal) and string trio (Lesley Hatfield, Rosemary Sanderson, and Nicholas Roberts), crowned their evening with an impressive reading of Brahms's G-minor piano Quartet, Op 25, having before ventured Copland's eloquent Threnodies I and II (1971 and 1973), and Oliver Knussen's Cantata for oboe and string trio of 1977.

tet for oboe, violin, cello and piano, perhaps not music that makes the imagination soar, hut full of integrity and inventive skill. Straight away one has to say that the playing in the cello recital given by Felix Schmidt and Annette Cole at the Wigmore Hall was also of the highest quality. Schmidt's natural manner, in serious music at any rate. is intense rather than extrovert, an attitude shared by Cole, which lent welcome weight to Beethoven's

There was also Martinu's Ouar-

Mannern, welcbe Liebe fuhlen". And, more to the point, to a marvellously compelling account of Shostakovich's Cello Sonata. Schubert's Arpeggione Sonata was equally impressive, an exquisite balance of the lyrical and the virtuosic. But once again the programme contained a little too much that was musically light-weight and technically flashy.

Variations on Mozart's "Bie

Stephen Pettitt

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early 70 years ago Will Rogers inserted a title in one of his silent films: "If you think this picture's no good. I'll put on a beard and say it's German. Then you'll call it art". Something of the sort has happened to Werner Herzog's Cobra Verde.

Shot in Ghana and Colombia, with the actors speaking assorted languages, it made its first appearance, during the Berlin Festival, with dubbed English dialogue. For British release, however, it has been dubbed into German and given sub-titles. It is a cunning move. The English dialogue was laughably awful. Foreign speech at least offers less distraction from the pictures, which are the best part of the

Loosely derived from The Viceroy of Outdah by Bruce Charwin (another of whose novels, On the Black Hill, also appears in a film adaptation in a couple of weeks) is tells the story of a 19th century adventurer called Manoel Da Silva. Only those familiar with the book are likely to understand that the telegraphic montage at the start of the film is intended to tell us about Da Silva's past, as a Brazilian peasant who turned bandit after his cattle were destroyed by drought.

Herzog takes up his adventures as he goes to work for a sugar planter in Bahia. When he impregnates his employer's mulatto daughters, the local landowner oligarchy despatch him to Dahomey, on what they intend as a suicide mission, to revive the slave trade. Tough and resourceful, Da Silva succeeds in the attempt, and in time overthrows the crazy king of Dahomey with the aid of an even crazier

usurper, who appoints him viceroy.

His triumph is short-lived. The slave trade is abolished and he is betrayed both by his employers and the new king. He is last glimpsed being swept out to sea, having exhausted himself with efforts to launch an escape boat.

The story touches on the obsessive themes of Herzog's early exotic ex-peditions, in Aguirre, Where the Green Ants Dream and Fitzcarraldo: the nature of colonialism, and the impact of a rapacious, exploitative "civilization" on primitive cultures.

Here, though, the theme seems to be repeated mechanically, leaving us more than usually aware of Herzog himself as the colonialist, exploiting the grandiose scenery and dirt-cheap local labour. The spectacular scenes of hundreds of bare-hreasted young Amazons, or of a pro-cession of pitifully deformed and crippled people, are indulgence.

There is a striking scene of an endless line of men with flags relaying semaphore messages to the horizon; but a moment's reflection shows that the image makes no sense whatever, except as gratuitous speciacle.

The actual narrative is perfunctory and finally pointless. At its centre, Klaus

CINEMA

Cobra Verde (PG) Renoir; Gate Notting Hill

A Flame in My Heart (18) Cannon Piccadilly

Flowers in the Attic (15) Cannons Haymarket, Tottenham Court Road

The Pied Piper/ The Extinct World of Gloves (15) Everyman

Kinsky gives one of his looniest performances, strutting about with hay-stook hair, staring eyes and a permanent sneer that supposedly quells all comers. He is very much outclassed by the African players, notably the two mad kings and a flight smider. flirty maiden, who sings a jolly song as finale to the drama.

lain Tanner acknowledges that Une Flamme dans mon coeur was the outcome of a two-hour conversation with the actress Myriam Mézières and two days' writing; and - fine a director though he is it looks as if that was the way it was made. It exemplifies moreover, all the dangers that might be feared when actors—in whom one tends to suspect both exhibitionism and insecurity - are given their heads as scenarists.

Ordinarily we expect characters in films and books to be more interesting than people in real life. In this case they seem rather less interesting.

Mercedes (Mézières) is an actress with louche lips and a discontented look, in whose life work and sex compete for priority. She is trying to break with her possessive and persistent Arab boy-friend, and picks up a journalist on the Métro as replacement. The affair promises well, but the journalist's absences on foreign assignments heighten Mercedes's growing neuro-sis, threatening ber work and her sex life

Neither the dialogue nor the performances offer any very convincing insights into ber problems. Sexuality is finally the raison d'être of the film, which includes four copulation scenes (one in the bathtub) and a prolonged sequence of masturbation. Mézières says in an interview that she wanted to show something different on the screen: "... between those love scenes



Sharing the white man's burden: Klaus Kinski and plantation slaves, from Cobra Verde

done with good taste and those done with the cold naturalism you find in porno movies . . . Love scenes done with joy and by that I don't mean exhibitionism".

Pace the lady, there is a good deal of exhibitionism in her role; and even given Tanner's elegant sbooting, violin accompaniments from Bach (Partita No 2, Sonata No 1) and Mézières's evident satisfaction, sex on the screen is, when all is done, just sex on the screen.

Flowers in the Attic is adapted from a horror best-seller by V.C. Andrews (Ms.) about an incorrigibly incestuous family dominated by very nasty matriarchs. The family looks at first sight as pure as toothpaste commercials, but it turns out that Father, who is Mother's Uncle, has a too. close relationship with his daughter who, in any event, sleeps in her brother's bed.

Before you have time to work all that out, however, Father has mysteriously died and Mother (Victoria Tennant) has taken her brood to live with her estranged parents, in an eerie stately home. Bible-thumping granny (Louise Fletcher) locks the children in their bedroom, and the plot thickens as someone takes to sprinkling arsenic on the kiddies' cookies from a silver sugar sifter.

With two-dimensional characters and performances to match, this farrage of foolishness was written as well as directed by Jeffrey Bloom.

The Everyman opens a festival of animation with a programme of two films by the Czech puppet animator Jiri Barta. While contemporary Czech feature films are blandly evasive, a tougher strain has surfaced in the animation studios, with the surrealist visions of Jan Svankmajer and

The Pied Piper is a grim retelling of the old story, set in a medieval society of irredeemable moral corruption. The rats are real: the characters and settings are carved out of walnut, in a style that combines ecclesiastical gothic with German Expressionist cinema.

In Barta's The Extioct World of Gloves, a workman of some future time excavates a buried hoard of old films and gloves. The gloves come to life and act out a history of the 20th century through its movies. It is weird and imaginative, with a vivid im-pression of our urban chaos recreated out of old crates, television sets, tin cans and assorted garbage.

David Robinson

Equally anthem and epitaph

THEATRE

Journey's End Whitehall Theatre

R.C. Sherriff's masterpiece of the 1918 trenches belongs among a small group of plays that are revisited rather than revived. An endless soap opera could be developed from the lives of Captain Stanhope and his brother officers in the St Quentin dug-out; except that Sherriff packed it all into two and a half hours.

in retrospect, Journey's End falls into place as a theatrical equivalent of Sassoon's poems; simultaneously an anthem for doomed youth and an unforgiving epitaph for the top brass. But whenever it returns to the stage it opens up a wealth of living detail that cannot be boiled down to any single argument. In particular, it resists any easy sneers against the public school ethic and the English trick of understatement. Here is "Uncle" Osborne puff-

ing away on his briar and reading Alice in Wonderland, or Trotter banging on about the hollyhocks in his suburban garden, while a few yards away there lies a wilderness of mud, with corpses abandoned to the rats. That kind of dialogue may have lapsed into cliche later on, but in Sherriff's hands it is the vital means by which his characters hang on to their humanity and stop them-

selves from going mad.
One passage I had forgotten raises the question of the varying effects of extreme situations on the imagination. For Trotter, an ex-ranker, it is possible to shut out the horrors by concentrating on food and companionship. Para-doxically, it is Stanhope, who has undergone the imagination-sti-fling disciplines of the public school, who starts seeing through walls to the earth beyond, and

Winter Darkness New End Theatre

When Mick Ford walks from the stage, at the end of Allan Cubitt's bitterly powerful play, he leaves behind him on the floor an opened book. But it is no ordinary book, for the pages have been hollowed out to conceal a gun.

It is an image central to the drama, because the character Ford plays, with a quality of conviction exceptional even for him, is James Shannon, a Belfast poet, particular and prescipator for grande and lar and passionate for words, and words are what have been eviscerated from the book by his former girlfriend.



"Uncle" Osborne with his 18-year-old company commander: Nicky Henson (left) and Jason Connery

through people as if they were

Justin Greene's production (reaching the Whitehall from the Nuffield, Southampton), is precisely on Sherriff's wavelength: that is to say, it is entirely free from portentous hims of the carnage to come, and concentrates in minutely scrupulous detail on the personal relationships in the dugout, during the false calm before the attack that brings it down, wiping out all the occupants.

There is obsessive attention to food and drink, served up by Peter Waddington's Mason, who scur-

Shannon rejects the gun. He has been taken to the edge of madness and death in an interrogation centre but will not empty himself

The play is mostly set in 1971 and Shannon is presented as one of the suspects held by the army and subjected to what the Compton Committee the following year was disposed to call "physical ill

First seen breaking off from some literary hack work to make love to his girl (Julie McDonald), the rest of the act obliges us to watch such simulated horrors as hooding, the wall posture and noise torture inflicted apon him by the usual unlovely soldiery.

ries round the burrow with inedible cutlets and onion-flavoured tea, like a Beatrix Potter fieldmouse. Alan Gill, in the tiny opening role of the outgoing dugous commander, builds a beautifully rounded study of a gentlemanly soldier who pushes the idea of the war as a round of golf a bit too far. He also gives Nicky Henson the chance to show Osborne's stiffly regimental side before allowing him to relax into the cosy old schoolmaster. The role is a notable extension

to this aggressively extrovert actor's range. I have never seen bim do anything as delicate as the

Several members of the audience fied. I hated every moment of it. The only consolation was provided by the knowledge that the victim survives, since the scenes of his torment are interspersed with oppearances reading his poems at a festival five years later. Ford's tough, intelligent, searching face suits the quality of the poems

A dramatic weakness is the failure to reveal the reason for his interrogation, until the second half, when the Coverton (sic) Committee arrives. The scenes between the wily old colonial hand (James Greene) and two of the soldiers (Ian Bartholomew, Timothy Morand) are not free of

burst of small-talk be springs on young Raleigh (Andrew Castell) in the five minutes before their suicidal raid.

Jason Connery's Stanhope also looks like an 18-year-old, but any doubts of his authority are dispelled during his first moments on stage, where he turns a blade-like profile and rejects his former friend. Connery conveys the full emotional spectrum with an absolute minimum of means. He expresses disdain, fury, and in-ternal chaos with barely a change of expression.

Irving Wardle

psychological glibness, but they show that if poets can make words dance, politicians can turn them

Set against three metallic sheets, like a modern production of Greek tragedy, Susan Hogg's direction relentlessly turns the screws. Against my expectation during the darker moments of the first half, Cubitt's play (the second of Bristol Express Theatre's London season) purges with pity and terror, to come honourably close to that tragic level where pain is universalized through

Jeremy Kingston

Dance of death

DANCE

Jean-François Duroure French Institute

To end the short season of Frenchdance in London, Jean-François Duroure brought La Anga to the French Institute. Until recently he was an associate of Mathide Monnier, who appeared last week

Only at the end does it become clear that the cool, self possessed young woman (Elena Majnoni) is a wire walker or trapezist getting ready for her act, and that the young man (Duroure) who has so familiar but unerotic a relationship with ber is her partner.

But what of the older man who intrudes into the room where she is quietly preparing, is fascinated by her and tries to win her interest? As played by Pierre-Maurice Nouvelle, he is a clumsy bizarre fellow, in white shorts and a dinner jacket.

For all his gaucheness, this is someone accustomed to command: the music stops or starts at his gestures. The wings he acquires towards the end, which he tries to fasten also on the woman, give the clue. This is Death, who can never be far from her work, watching eagerly for his moment.

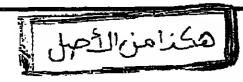
But this is far from the usual infallible, implacable stage impersonation of death. He is awkward, trying to fit into this woman's world, where he knows he does not belong.

You feel sorry for his repeated discomfiture, most vividly shown in a duet where first bis touch on her knee, cloow, shoulder or hand is enough to make her dance; but by the end her reaction is angry. pulling away and opposing his

Christophe Sechet's circus-like popular music and "noises off" are nearly supportive: the presentation, as generally in this series, proficient in every respect

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Lad of gloss and lyric

Peter Ackroyd on the art of the scholar poet

COLLECTED POEMS AND SELECTED PROSE OF A.E. HOUSMAN Edited by Christopher Ricks
Allen Lane £18.95

ow impleasant to meet A.E. Housman - tacitum, precise, morose, sometimes even horrid. In conversation he was generally difficult, in scholastic dispute often malevolent. But if the poet who lamented the unhappy destinies of soldiers and various lads" was also a professormotist for his "frigidity", it is nevertheless difficult not to like him. For he possessed a sease of littinger a gift as years a scale of littinger a gift as years an accordance. sense of humour, a gift as rare in academics as it is in poets, and as a result it is impossible to say how much a deliberate pose this "glacial" manner might have been. in any case, what does it matter?

His was a great career, however, a model of single-minded labour as well as bloodyminded persistence in what he described as the mere act of living on and continuing to be the same". A dead mother and a drunken father tested his resolve in life, and from that time it never faltered; he failed his degree at Oxford, but then spent 10 years acquiring a reputation as a classical scholar while working as a clerk in the Patent Office. In 1892, at the age of 33, he became Professor of Latin at University College London; 11 years later he took up a similar if grander position at Cambridge. Yet his great work had already been

achieved: over a few months in 1895, in circumstances of ill-health and depression, the prey to forces he could neither understand nor control, he wrote most of the poems which were later published as A Shropshire Lad. Few poets have acquired immortality with so slim a volume, although he might have hoped that posterity would at least spare a glance for his much bulkier works of textual criticism.

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Christopher Ricks does indeed praise his scholarship, and in this excellent authology has wisely chosen to include many passages from Housman's classical editions and papers. But reverence for this part of his work can be taken too far; of course there is a place for scholarship, but scholarship must also be put in its place, and it is hard to avoid the conclusion that it trains one aspect of the mind at the expense of most others. It is easy to admire those, like Housman, with an austere outlook and minatory temper; but they are often little men (or women) hiding within their donnish habits. Pedantry can in this sense be a vehicle for thwarted or irresolute emotions - certainly Housman's frustration

The mystery here appears to be of a familiar kind. Ruth St John

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son has been drowned in a diving accident. He was living at the time

The more Ruth learns about the

murdered.



and aggression are everywhere apparent in his academic work, and it becomes increas-ingly clear that his "scholarship" was the closet in which he chose to hide himself.

But this in turn leads to one of the most interesting facts about him — he knew exactly what kind of person he truly was, and what kind of person be had chosen to become. His humour itself sprang from an understanding of the forces that had come to fashion his granite-like unshakeability.

And be knew, too, what it was to be a poet his late lecture, "The Name and Nature of Poetry", contains the single most powerful investigation of the sources of lyric poetry. Housman's own poetry does not always

meet his own criteria of greatness. There are occasions when, with its combination of formal precision and morbid sentiment, it remains too much a symptom of its period. But there are also some very beautiful

poems in this, and a later, collection -

poems containing lines which seem to have

been impelled into the light hy some half-

conscious pressure before being marshalled into shape, the extremes of intuition and compression creating significant poetry. It is said that Housman was divided against himself, but this condition is at the very root of his creativity; he was both wounded and afraid, hlasphemer and censor, rebel and

aturally this raises the question of his homosexuality. A Shrop-shire Lad was published soon after Oscar Wilde's ignominy (it is pleasant to recall that he sent Wilde a copy), and there is no doubt that Housman's native cantion was intensified hy the subsequent climate of persecution or disapproval. But perhaps this did him good, since it removed his poetry from the turbid sphere of avowal and afforded it a resonance that it might overwise have lacked.

Certainly this is the moral he continually emphasizes in his own prose. Christopher Ricks has made a good selection of it here not only good but necessary, since Hous-

man is at least as great a prose-writer as he was a poet. There is even a sense in which he was greater in his prose, since that capacious medium can encompass more of his unyielding, bewildered consciousness. He was a hrilliant polemicist, whose ill-humour and impatience became charged with something very much like genius; those with a taste for literary homicide should read his strictures upon other scholars.

And yet by the close of this anthology, after the astringency and the lamentation, after the bitterness and the thwarted passion, it is the strangeness and the horror of the world which he seems most acutely to convey. Housman's poetry is filled with a piercing sense of loss — for hrief periods he gave voice to it, and then be covered it up with his elaborate late Victorian demeanour and his no less elaborate marginalia. In the end we can best say of him what he said of a colleague, when he paid homage to "the singularity of his essential being, his utter unlikeness to any other creature in the

Mystery play or morality FICTION

After the epic historical sweep of The War of the End of the World, Mario Vargas Llosa has turned to a different genre: the detective story. It is like Simenoo (though a world away in geography) io that you are pretty sure who did it from the beginning. Lieutenant Silver is as rumpled and fallible as Maigret. and tusts overwhelmingly for a Peeping-Tom plump woman mar-ried to someone else. The mystery is in the unravelling of humao behaviour so that you can see that this is just how it would happen,

even in so foreign a world. The scene is the northern bondocks of Peru in the Fifties. Palimino. Molero, a half-breed cholo and enlisted man in the Air Force is found castrated and impaled. The Lieutenant and his diffident Watson, Officer Lituma, investigate the horror, though everybody in town knows that if they find out anything too embarrassing the Big Guys will stop them. An hour's walk from the heat and dust is the Air Force base, run by an irascible "white" Colonel, where the writ of the Guardia Civil does not run. The policemen pursue the trail where it

predictably leads them. As the unravelling of a horrid mystery in an exotic society it is exciting. But it is also, of course, a serious literary novel about class and racial conflict, love and evil, and the chief wonder of the world. the crooked ways of the human heart. The translation does not always ring true, even in AmerEnglish: someone has a good snooze; the women are scared away from chorus rehearsals in church. But that confusion apart, this is a straightforward, compelling, and topical morality.

Freddie Raphael's latest is a long intellectual soap about Jewishness and the English, and the glitzy prizes. It starts in a prep school during the war, and continues down to the Six Day War, collecting a large cast of beautiful, or at any rate clever, people around the hero and part-time narrator, who is a serious playwright, director, and wimp.

They make films, act in musicals, write hitchy journalism and direlyrics, paint, and play musical chairs at fornication. But what they do most is talk. The pitterpatter of epigrams (some quite good) and oxymorons rattles like precious hail. Even in ecstasy or tragedy they quote from T.S. Eliot, or a reference to the Athenian attack on Epipoli springs instantly to the lips, I do not believe anybody keeps up such relent-lessly bright conversation. If he did he would be a monster. The

Philip Howard

WHO KILLED PALOMINO MOLERO? By Mario Vargas Llosa Translated by Alfred MacAdam Falver, £9.95

AFTER THE WAR By Frederic Raphael Collins, £11.95 THE FIFTH CHILD By Doris Lessing

Cape, £9.95

plot is disjointed, moving from de-Nazification after the war to a Greek island, Israel, and an excir-ing late interlude about dirty work in a newly independent West African state. And of course, repeated first nights and awful country weekends. Sentimental journeys end in lovers' meetings. It is clever and funny, but leaves a 'So what?''

Doris Lessing's new book is a chilling little parable about parturition and punishment. Harriet and David are an old-fashioned. philoprogenitive couple, Earth Mother and Rohinson Crusoc, who opt out of the selfish Sixties and the Pill for home-made chutney, breast feeding, and extended family life in a rambling provincial house. Nemesis strikes them with their fifth child, Ben. who turns out to be an alien throwback, an angry, hostile little troll, who destroys their joyll. Torn apart by guilt and love and the hostility of society to a woman who has given hirth to a freak. Harriet seriously wonders whether Ben may not be a creature from another world or a Neanderthal past. As usual. Lessing is interesting, compulsively readable, and politically spot-on about the alienated drop-outs and Untermenschen of our inner cities.

In a rich week for fiction it is a crying shame that there is room only to salute Scandal, by Shusaku Endo, translated by Van C. Gessel (Peter Owen, £11.95), a Jekyll-and-Hyde psychodrama about a fam-ous Japanese novelist who is haunted by a disreputable Doppelganger or a subconscious secret life, Also, The Shadow Bride, hy Roy Heath (Collins £11.50) an angry and funny saga of the past 50 years in Guyana, which manages both to be fascinating about the extraordinary East Indian tribe on the sugar plantations there, and also eye-opening about universal human nature in its perversities and heroism.

Mum's the word

in an island community off the coast of a west African country. Who knows what evil is being done to innocent young people by this dreadful "Mother"?

Ruth sells up everything she has to go to Africa and find out for community, which is ruled by a powerful woman known as herself. The rest of this creep "Mother", the less she likes it. She believes her son was povel is about her long and frightening journey, and what she She pesters the British Council, finds when she gets to the island. the Foreign Office, her ex-hus-band and anyone else who will There is a lot of writer's-notebook African travelogue, building up Ruth's feelings of unease, alienlisten, desperate to get the tragedy ation and mounting fear. "Strange, terrible things were happening here." On the island, she realizes Mother and her cronies intend to investigated. She is fobbed off at every turn. Rath is obstinate and obsessional, but we sympathize with her; she is a lone woman, kill her.

grieving for her lost son, fighting bureaucracy, indifference, and maybe something much worse. The suspense seems contrived. Francis King misleads the reader

NOVEL OF THE WEEK

Victoria Glendinnung

THE WOMAN WHO WAS GOD By Francis King Hutchinson, £10.95

so well that he risks wearying us with florid intimations of horror before we realize that although Mother is the villain of the piece, it is not the mysterious deity on the

island but Ruth herself. The book is about hysteria, paranoid obsession, and possessive, destructive mother-love. The clues were all there. Rath

"A BOVELIST'S and imagines what happened to her son "as a novelist might imagine it". From the point of view of the writing, these are the best bits; her quest apart, genteel Ruth is not very interesting. "Imagina-tion becomes knowledge for her, and knowledge becomes power." Francis King's analysis of para-noia is acute, in that Ruth isn't

invariably deluded; her son, she believed, could not have died in a diving accident because he could

not swim and never went near the water. In this she is correct. There is a mystery behind the mystery. The community itself, too, is pretty rum, in a benign way. The immates are indeed in thrall to "Mother" because they like it that way. The seductiveness of paranoid ob-session is that there is often a grain of truth in it all.

at we need to kno the boy, who seems to have been as paranoid and as obsessional as his mum. What happened to him can't all be blamed on her. Things are not quite what they seem. This is a punitive, clever, awkward novel, which does not quite come to grips with its own cruelty. There seems to be a submerged discussion about the godlike "novelist's imagination" as a dangerous psychic weapon. Perhaps Francis King suspects that's what it is.

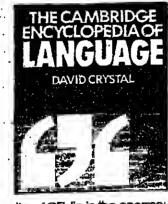
NEW HARDBACKS

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verse and verse

The Secretary of State for Education has seen a way in which he can select poems to give a "true sense of the narrative flow of English history". Whatever that means, the result is a collection of verse in chronological order

from "AD 68 Boadicea" (sic) to 1953, with interlinking historical notes generating what I take to be Mr Baker's "narrative flow". There is some perfectly jolly verse amongst the 350 pieces on offer. But there are problems constructing an historical anthology out of verse, and the first poem (with note) establishes all too clearly the level of ratiocination Mr Baker has seen fit to apply. The subject is "Boadicea", the poet William Cowper: she hears from a Druid that Britain will be the empire-builder of the future, hurls the prophecy at the Roman invader, and dies in battle. The note begins "Caesar came, saw and conquered in 55BC and the Romans controlled Britain for the next 465 years."

Peter Jones

THE FABER BOOK OF ENGLISH HISTORY IN VERSE



Faber, T12.95

The facts: She is Boudicca. She died in 61. Caesar did not come, see and conquer Britain, but Pharnaces at Zela in Asia Minor, 47BC. He did the empire in AD 43-7). The Romans never "controlled Britain" (only parts of it). The comment: What was emerprise.

Caesar doing in Britain? What conceivable interest could Rome have in us? Why the rebellion? On these, nothing, In other words, Mr Baker

has not submitted his verses to any prior evaluation of their worth as evidence, as if all a poem has to do is mention Boudicea or Mary Tudor to assume automatic warranty for inclusion. One cannot expect much by way of historical judgment from a man who comments on Tennyson's "Godiva": "There are so many sources for this legend that we may assume something like it happened." This may be acceptable for politicians, but not for historians.

Consequently, though this anthology improves with Victoria, when poems about "the people" sharply increase, the rest is little more than a pious not conquer Britain in 55, or plod past the powerful with on his return in 54 (Aulus Plautius brought Britain into and since the comment is so pedestrian, the reader is left groping for any purchase, historical or literary, on the

Action Man

Despite being wrought in the nerveless prose of best-sellerdom, Mr Brown's por-trait of the uniquirous, grinning, unshy entrepreneur and adventurer is acute enough, and it stays a long way this side of idolarry. Mr Brown compensates for his stylistic bereavements with stealth and a flair for the non-attributable knee-capping.

The "music"-industry milhonaire is instantly recognizable in the boy physically fearless, intellectually uninquiring head-strong, ganche, familially loyal, endiessly competitive. Jonathan Meades expense account.

RICHARD BRANSON The Inside Story By Mike Brown Michael Joseph, £12.95

world, a solipsistic actioo-

During the period that I edited Event, his short-lived weekly magazine, I had a weekly meeting with Richard Branson, an ideal proprietor in that he expressed no in-His culture, if you can call it terest in the magazine's con- Brown wants to keep things that, is self-made and portable. He is impervious to the recklessly miserly one in such fairly human Branson.

matters as the film critic's

He does not so much break rules as tend not to know they exist. His antinomian posture, like much else about him, is unselfconscious. Mr Brown implies all this, though whether it will actually strike those unacquainted with his subject is moot. He is further rather reticent about spelling out the exclusive nature of Virgin's hierarchy, a laughably



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MAURICE (15): Set before the First World War, E M Forster's novel about Oxbridge gaiety, with James Wilby as the suffering Maurice and Rupert ure suitering invalues and Rupert Graves as the gamekeeper with whom he falls in love (140 min). Cannon Piccadilly (01-437 3561). Progs 2 00, 4.55, 7.50.

THREE MEN AND A BABY (PG): Brash Hinder Man And ABY (PG): Brash Hollywood remake of a firmsy French success. Tom Selleck, Ted Danson and Steve Guttenberg play confirmed bachelors suddenly thrust into the problems of babycare, Leonard Nimoy directs, (103 min), 2: Odeon Leicester Square (01-930 6111). Progs 12.45, 3.15, 6.00, 8.45.

THE UNBEARABLE LIGHTNESS OF BEING (18): Philip Kautman's massive and mejestic edaptation of Milan Kundera's novel; a story of love and political consciousness set against the Russian Invasion of Czechoslovakia. With Daniel Day-Lewis, Juliette Binoche, Lana Olin (105 min). Empire Leicester Square (01-240 7200). Progs 1.00, 4.30, 8.00. Cannon Fulham Road (01-370 2636), Progs 1.25, 5.00, 8.35.

WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 24

FROTTAGE (a) Taking an impression from e raised or textured surface by covering it with paper, and rubbi with soft drawing material such as charcoal; favoured by the Surrealists, expecially Max Ernst. CARO

(c) Anthony Caro (b. 1924) a leading English sculptor of the generation after Henry Moore; be painted and welded sheets of metal. ORPIMENT

(a) The ancient, arsenic-based yel-low pigment used widely in Oriental CRESPI

(b) Giovanni Battista Crespi, "Il

Cerano" (c.1557-1633), painter, sculptor, and architect of the Lombard School; head of the Milanese Academy from 1620; Guercino was his pupil.

THEATRE

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* BACK WITH A VENGEANCE: Dame Edna Everage back again joshing the possums. Strand Theatre, Akhwych, WC2 (01-836) 2660). Tube: Chering Cross. Mon-Fri 7.30-10.30pm, Sat 8-11pm, mat Sat

2.30-5.30pm, £6.50-£17.50. (D)

☆ BLOODY POETRY: Nigel Terry plays Byron and Mark Rylance is Shelley in stan of a Howard Brenton season. Royal Court Theatre, Stoane Square, London SW3 (01-730 1745). Tube: Stoane Square, Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm,

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☆ EASY VIRTUE: Attractive revival with Take the scandalizing her teenage husband's frightful county folks.

Garrick Theatre, Charing Cross Road WC2 (01-379 6107), Tube: Leicester Square. Opens tonight 7-9.15pm, then Mon-Fri 8.10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.30pm, mats Tues 3-5.15pm end Sat 5-7.15pm, £7.50-£12.50.

* THE MERCHANT OF VENICE: Untorgettable Shylock by Anthony Sher in Bill Alexander's acclaimed

production.

Barbican Theatre, Barbican Centre EC2 (01-638 8891). Tube: Moorgate/Barbican/St Paul's. Previews from tonight 7:30-10.30pm, mats Sat 2-5pm. Opens April 26, 7:10pm, then m rep. £5-£13.

SORE THROATS: Rough stuff and rough stuffing in the second of Howard Brenton's "Three Plays for Eutopia". Theatre Upsteirs, Royal Couri Thestre, Sloane Square SW1 (01-730 1745). Tube: Sloane Square. Previews tonight, tomorrow and Sat 7.30pm. Opens Mon 7.30pm, then Mon-Sat 7.30pm, £4-£6.

★ THE TEMPEST: See caption.

National Theatre (Cotteslee), South
Bank SE1 (01-928 2252), Tube:

Waterloo, Prsviews tonight, Fri and Sat,
May 3, 4, 14, 7,30-9,45pm, Opens May
19, 7-9,15pm. Then in rep. £7,50.

LONG RUNNERS:

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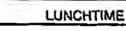
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preniera of softh reactor pay about the acid bath murders of 1951. Royal Theatre, Guildhall Street (0504 24811). Mon-Fri 7.30pm, £3.50-£5.50, Sat & Bank Holidays 7.30pm, £4-£7, mat Thrs 2.30pm, £3. CONCERTS



& BOUCHER'S BEETHOVEN: Paul As BOUCHER'S BEETHOVEN: Paul Boucher, baroque violin, plays Beethoven's Sornata Op 30 No 1, preceding it with Mozert's Sonata K 454 and Variations K 360. Lorna Fulford is at the fortepiano. St John's, Smith Sq, London SW1 (01-222 1061), 1.15pm, 21.50.

* FINE FONG: Pisnist William Fong, the winner of several prizes, plays Beethoven's 32 Variations in C minor

Logan Hall, Institute of Education, 20 Bedford Way, London WC1 (01-636 1500), 1.30-2.15pm, free.

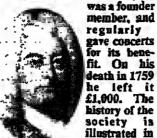
EVENING

★ SLATKIN'S SHOW: The Philharmonia Orchestra is conducted by Leonard Station in Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 1 (Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich, soloist), Berlioz's Carnaval Romain Schools, Deshoot's Carnava Horisan Overture and Brehms's Symphony No 1. Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, cc 01-928 8800), 7.30-9.20pm, £2-£14.

☆ IN READING: Gregory Rose conducts the Reading Symphony Orchestra in Sibelius's Finlandia and Valse triste, Grieg's Prano Concerto (soloist, William Stephenson), Ravel's Bolaro, Elgar's Pomp and Circumstance March No.1 The Hexagon, Queen's Walk, Reading (0734 591591), 7.30pm, £3-£4.50.

Handel's charity concerts

London Handel Festival than in the composer's own parish church - St George's, Hanover Square? Sir Charles Mackerras conducts the London Handel Choir and Orchestra tomorrow in the first concert, which incindes Handel's Landate Pueri Dominium, Greene's Ode to Music and the première of Denys Darlow's Te Denm. This occasion also marks the 250th anniversary of the founding of the Royal Society of Musicians, believed to be the oldest musical charity. Handel himself (left) was a founder



illustrated in an exhibition in the upper foyer of the Festival Hall until May 8. The London Handel Festival includes four other concerts, three of them at St George's and one, on April 26, at the Queen Elizabeth Hall. This is devoted to Handel's oratorio Theodora, composed when he was 65. Notable events at St George's include his dramatic cantata Apollo e Dafne on April 23 and Joseph and His Brethren, another oratorio, on April 30. St George's, Hanover Square, London W1 (01-828 6913), April 21, 23, 28, 30, 7/7-30pm, £4-£11.Max Harrison

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Actors Theatre Company with Kats
O'Mara and Graham Puntney open the
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New Towngate Theatre, Pagel Msad
(0268 532632), Mon-Sat 8pm, mar Thurs
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LEEDS: ☆ Jane Eyre: Wendy Nottingham and David Gwillim in Intiguing new adaptation by Fay

Ptayhouse, Calverly Street (0532 442111). Mon & Tues 8pm, Wed-Sat 7.30pm, £4.50-£6.

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Mozsrt's Symphony No 35 "Haffner," Tchaikovsky's Symphony No 6 "Pathetiqus" and Britten's Les

Illuminations are heard from the Halls Orchestra under Stanislaw

Free Trade Hall, Peter St, Manchester (061-834 1712), 7,30pm, £2-£11.

* CONSORT CONCERT: The King's Consort performs Telemenn's Musique de Table, Visaldi's Mulla in mundo pax sincera. Bach's Brandenburg Concerto No 2, Boyce's Symphony No 3. Robert

London School of Economics Butter's Wharf Students' Residence Appeal and

m the presence of Queen Margarethe II of Denmark Pinchas Zukerman solos in Bach's E major Violin Concerto with the LSO. Next. Faliph Kirshbaum (cello) colos in Technique in Percentage in Production of the Concerts of the C

solos in Tchalkovsky's Rococo Variations. Then they both solo in Brahms's Double Concerto.

Barbican Centre, Silk St, London EC2 (01-628 8795, cc 01-638 8891), 7.45-9.45pm, £5-£15.

King conducts. St John's, 7.30pm, £4-£8. # HELP STUDENTS: In aid of the

* SKROWACZEWSKI/HALLE:

Harper accompanies. Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore St, London W1 (01-935 2141), 7.30pm, £3.50-£6.50.

OPERA

☆ DEATH IN VENICE: Scottish Opera'a production of Britten's opera, now returning in fine form with Philip Langridge as the new Aschenbech and Richard Bernas conducting. Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041-331 1234) 7.15-10.30pm, £3-£21.

☆ BITTER SWEET: lan Judge's slick production of Noel Coward's classic continues its tour. Mayflower Theatre, Southampton (0703 229771), 7.30-10.30pm, £4-£10.

DANCE

tr A SIMPLE MAN: Northern Ballet Theatre's work about L.S. Lowry's life and work, with Memoire Imaginaire and Italian Suite, Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1 (01-278 8916), 7.30-9.45pm, £3.50-£15.

☆ FACE TO FACE: This and other works by Michael McNeill and Roberto Pace Introduce their company Dance Contisum from Rome.

The Place, Dukes Road, London WC1 (01-387-0031), 8-10pm, £5.

BEST SELLING BOOKS

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6	Red Storm Rising, Tom ClancyFontana	£ 3.95
7	White Mischief, James Fox	€ 3.95
8	Between The Woods and the Water, Patrick Leigh Fermor Penguin	
9	A Month In The Country, J L Carr	6 200
10	Modern British Short Stories, M Bradbury	€ 4.85

* SWAN LAKE: Netzlia Makarova's new production for London Festival Ballet. Alhambra, Morley Street, Bradford (0274 752000), 7.30-10pm, 28.50-215.

ROCK

* RUSH: Canadian, heavy rock technoflashers. NEC, Birmingham (021 780 4133) 7.30pm, £9.50-210.50.

THAT PETROL EMOTION: Vitriolic Irish politico-rockers whose stage show lacks the feroclous intensity apparent on their slouns. Scottish College of Textiles, Jackson Building, Netherknowe, Galashiels (0896:3749)

* MICRODISNEY: Acerbic pop-rockers ied by Cathal Coughlan, blugging their over-rated 39 Minutes album. Kingston Polytechnic Students' Union, Kright Park, Surrey (01-549 9961) 8pm.

☆ HAWKWIND: Wrinkly space cadets coasting along on a wave of psychedel nostalgia. Support is Doctor and the Medics.

Medics. Hammerzmith Odeon, Queen Caroline Street, London W6 (01-748 4081) 7.30pm, 25-26, for two nights.

JAZZ

* JAMES BLOOD ULMER: Moving between Ornette Coleman'e "harmolodics" and mainstream blues-rock, the US guitarist appears with Jamealedeen Tacuma (bass) and Calvin Weston (drums). Henry Wood Hall, Claremont Street, Glasgow (041 221 5496) 8pm, 25.

* "SWANN IN JAZZ": A charity recital by pignist-composer Donald Swarm, assisted by cornet player Digby Fairweather, sexophonist Bill Skeat and vocalist, isa Lincoln. University College School, Frognal, Loadon NW3 (01-435 2215) 7.45pm, 25 at the rior.

* DUSKO GOYKOVICH: The Yugoslav trumpeter built up a solid reputation during stints with Woody Herman and Mayrard Ferguson. Band On The Wall, 25 Swen Street, Manchester (061 832 6625) doors open 8.30pm, £3.

& WILD BILL DAVISON: A three-night residency from the US cornet player, one of the last surviving links with the era of Bix Beiderbecke and Mugsy

Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street; London W1 (01-439 8722) 9.30pm, ring for

GALLERIES

THYSSEN-BORNEMISZA COLLECTION: Fifty Old Master paintings from one of the world's greatest private collections, presented. greatest private collections, presented by The Times.
Royal Academy of Arts, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 9052). Daily 10am-8pm, £3 (concessions and Sun mornings, £2, under-18s, £1.50), until June 12.

MARIO ROSSI: This young artist's : paintings form one of eleven exhibitions in the four-day Portobello Contemporary Art Pair which opens today.
Anderson O'Day Fine Art, 255.
Portobello Road, London W11 (01-221 7592), Tues-Sat 10-5.30pm, free, until May 21.

TOM OGLE: Works in bronze, marble and terracotta by a Finnish sculptor. SAGA Gallery, 3 Elystan Street, London SW3 [01-584 5684], Mon-Fri 10-5pm, Sat 10-1pm, free, until May 14.

PETER HOWSON: Recent linocuts made to Illustrate the story of boxer Randolph Turpin, Artspace Gallery, 21 Castle Street, Aberdeen (0224 639539), Tues-Sat 9.30-Spm, free, until April 27.

TURNER'S ILLUSTRATIONS: Small watercolours made as the basis of engravings to be published in an 1837 edition of The Poetical Works of Thomas Campbell National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh (031-556 8921), Mon-Sat 10-5pm, Sun 2-5pm, free, until May

RICHARD HAMILTON: Four installations and a series of drawings based on Joyce's Ulysses by the ex-Pop artist. The Fruitmarket Gallery, 29 Market Street, Ethnburgh (031-225 2383), Tuesset 10-5.30pm, Sun 1.30-5.30pm, free, and May 1

STEPHEN FARTHING: Narrative paintings, called Mute Accomplicas, which address contemporary issues. The Arts Council Carliery, Bedford Street, Belfast (0232 321402), Tues-Sat 10-6pm, free, until April 30.

RICHARD REDGRAVE (1804-1888): Paintings and drawings by an artist, teacher and highly influential

Victoria and Albert Museum, Exhibition Road, London SW7 (01 938 8344), Mon-Sat 10-5.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.50pm, free, until May 22.

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THE NATIONAL MONUMENTS RECORD: Lecture by Dr. John Bold of the Royal Commission on Historic Monuments. The Camden Head Public House, Camden Passage, London N1 (01-253-6644), 8pm, 50p.

FAMILIES IN FANCY DRESS: Alisa Turner talks on the works of Verocese and Mignard. The National Gellery, Room 9, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 (01-839-3321).

WALKS

CITY OF YORK: meet Exhibition Square York, 10.15em and 2.15pm, tose (daily). THE LONDON OF JACK THE REPPER: meet Whitechapel tube, 11am, £3 (also POLITICAL LONDON: meet

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OTHER EVENTS

THE HISTORY AND TECHNOLOGY OF THE HISTORY AND TELETRICATOR SAIL: A collection of more than 90 books on the working library of Sir Alan Moore including A Complete Set of Navel Chronicles 1799-1818 and an 18th century French dictionary of navigation and navel architecture by Nicolas Aubin. Bloomsbury Book Auctions, 3 & 4 Hardwick Street, London, EC1 (07-833

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POETRY EVENT: To celebrate the first birthday of the Women's Press, performances from "la The Pink," and "No Holds Barred" by the editors, the actresses/slogers. The Raving Beauties

The Poetry Society, National Poetry Centre, 21 Earls Coort Square, Lordon, SW5. (01-370 6929). 7.30pm, Adults £2.50 students £2. BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

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Garner, May 3. Canada House: Trafalgar Square, London SW1 (01-629 9492).

LAST CHANCE UNDERSTANDING THE LIVING

ARCTIC: Exhibition of clothing, tools and evaryday items, Ends today, Museum of Mankind, Burlington Gardens, London W1 (01-437 2224). CAV AND PAG: Last performance to season of lan Judge production by ENO in translation by Edmund Tracey. Michael Lloyd conducts. 7.30 tongm. Coliseum, 5t Martin's Lane, London. WC2 (01-836 3161) (01-240 5258 credit cards).

ESSENTIAL BLACK ART: Review of Esperim Collack ART: Review of agitprop works done since 1970 by black artists. Ends today. Laing Art Gallery, Higham Place, Newcastle (091-232 7734).

AUSTRALIA 200: Aberdeen's role in the development of Australia. Ends Sat. Aberdeen Art Gallery, Schoolhill, Aberdeen (0224-646333).

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previewing from tonight (see list-

ing). The play is the first of Shakespeare's three late plays -

the others being Cymbeline and The Winter's Tale — to be pre-

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7.00 Breakfast Time with Jeremy
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at 7.00, 7.20, 8.00 and 8.30;
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reports at 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15;
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2.40 Come Dancing (r). 3.25 Gardeners' Direct Line.

and weather. 9.35 The Lenny Henry Show (r).

O'Herkhy (r). 11.55 Weather.

10.05 Cuestion Time presented by
Sir Robin Day. On the panel are
Peter Luff, Detta O'Cathain
and MPs John MacGregor and
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11.05 The Untouchables (b/w). Silot
Ness and his team do battle with a
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gentlemen bank robber. Starring Robert Stack and Dan

Llewellyn and the resident adjudicator, Professor Alun Hoddinott.
7.30 Call My Bluff, Witty word competition chaired by Robert Robinson. This week Arthur Marshall and Frank Muir are injudy by Moire Anderson. In

joined by Moira Anderson, Ian Oglivy, Jan Leeming and Jeffrey Archer.

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8.00 Top Gear from the Turin Motor Show where William Woollard and Sue Baker see the latest in "concept cars", built by Italdesign and the British company IAD. Chris Goffey test drives the new Flat Tipo and there are road tests on two other Italian cars, the executive class Alfa 164 and the sporty Lancia Integrale.

8.30 Nature presented by Michael Buerk. There are reports on the sheep farmers whose lambs were affected by the Chernobyl

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were affected by the Chernobyl
disaster, on whether or not this
country's power stations are
prepared for a nuclear alert;
and the connection between eels
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8.00 Blackedder II. More

good books (r). . 9,30 40 Minutes: Women in Black.

Elizabethan mayhem with Edmund Blackedder trying unsuccessfully to ingratiate himself into the Virgin Queen's

The story of three widows — Iris Hughes whose husband died

of cancer last year; Maureen
Jones whose husband was
killed in a freak pit accident five
years ago; and Daphare
Hamilton-Fairley who was

concludes his first round game with Wayne Jones; Stave

Hamilton-Fairley who was widowed by an IRA bomb

explosion 12 years ago. (Ceefax) 10.10 World Snooker. Neal Foulds

with Wayne Jones; Stave
Davis begins his second round
match against Mike Hallett.
Introduced by David Vine.

10.40 A Party Political Broadcast on
behalf of the Conservative Party
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by James Hogg of prodigal
cricketer Ian Botham 11.30

second round coverage.

12.05am Open University: Was kend
Outlook 12.10 Fundamentals of

Computing. Ends at 12.40.

Weather. 11.35 World Snooker. Further

Viewers are invited to ring Geoffrey Smith and Peter Seabrook with their gardening problems. The number to call, between 11.30am and 2.30pm, is

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9.00 News and weather followed by Open Air. Janet Ellis receives viewers' comments on yesterday's television output. To contribute ring 061-814-0424

9.20 Kilroyt Robert Kiroy-Silk chairs a studio discussion on Page Three girls - should they be banned? The guests include - Clare Short MP.

10.00 News and weather followed by One of the Pamily. A series on pets, presented by Martan Foster and Brian Watkins, Today, Michael Martin and Michael Innes discuss keeping birds in the Carlotte Andrews CA OF MAX TERMS

Constitution of the second innes discuss keeping birds in the home (r). 10.25 Chadren's BBC. Andy Crane with programme details and birthday greetings followed by Play School (r) and

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10.56 Five to Eleven. Laurence

Clivier with a reading 1 1.00 News
and weather followed by Open
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12.00 News and weather followed by Daytime Live. Magazine series 12.55 Regional news and weather.

1.00 One O'Clock News with Martyn
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Naighbours. Susan turns to
Clive for comfort; and Shane

Clive for comfort; and Shane finally arrives back in Remsey Street with Jane 1.50 When in Spain with Andrew Sachs (f).

2.15 All Well and Good. Healthy living series presented by Christopher Lillicrap and Suzanne Dando. Today'a guest is Liz Hobbs who explains how she overcame disease to become a world champion The state of the s

6.55 Open University: Cogs in the Wheel? Erids at 7.20.
9.00 Ceefax.
1.20 King Rollo (r). 1.25 What's inside? (r).
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1.35 Sign Extra. John and Shedes, a programme adapted for the hearing impaired about two wheelchair world champions from Wales — John Harries (discus) and Chris "Shades" Hallam, a paraplegic swimming champion (r).

2.00 News and weather tollowed by is There Something After Death? Programme five of Ean Begg.

a Junnian analyst and

a Jungian analyst and psychotherapist's series about what follows the end of life. He meets Sister Barbara Claire of

meets sister barbara claire of the community of St Mary the Virgin at Wantage, who talks about how faith helps us to daal more creatively with death, and Penelope Eckersley whose busband Tim died after

suffering from cancer for three

game of the second round — Jimmy White against Stephen Hendry Introduced by David Icke from the Crucible Theatre,

Sheffield, Includes news and weather at 3.00 and 3.50.

5.25 The Travel Show Guide. This second of six programmes examining the facts behind holiday brochures' descriptions of

John Kettley and Matthew Collins (r).

6.00 World Snooker, Further coverage of the matches between

Stevens, and stating white against Stephen Hendry.

6.50 Young Musician of the Year.
Humphrey Burton introduces the wind semifinal featuring 10 of

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the country's leading young wind instrumentalists. The

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Cliff Thorburn and Kirk Stevens; and Jimmy White against

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2.30 Snooker. The Embassy World
Professional championship. The
closing frames of the first
round match between Cliff.
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6.00 TV-em begins with The Sports
Show introduced by Geoff Clark;
6.30 The Morning Show
presented by Richard Keys; 7.00
Good Morning British with
Anne Diamond and Milke Morris.
After Nine's guests include
Claire Rayner.
9.25 Thames news.
9.30 Lacky Ledders. Word game
18.00 Santa Barbara 18.25
News headlines

between 11.30am and 2.30pm, is Leeds (0532) 446222.
3.50 ChuckieVision (r). 4.15 Jonny Briggs. Episode six of the 13-part serial (r). 4.30 Around the World with Willy Fogg.
4.55 Newsround 5.05 Blue Peter (Ceefax) 5.35 Neighbours (r).
6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Andrew Harvey. Weather 6.35 London Plus
7.00 Top of the Pops presented by Peter Powell and Simon Bates.
7.30 EastEnders. The noise from the squart's party angers the

10.00 Santa Barbara 10.25
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10.30 The Time. . . The Place. . . A
discussion on a topical subject
11.10 Puddle Lane. 11.25
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11.30 My Marriage. Colin Morris
talks to Joy Porter and her
husband Nest. They have two
children, a boy aged 10 and a girl
of seven who was born without
a nose. They talk about their love
for their children and how their
Christian faith has helped them
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1.00 News at One with Julia
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1.30 Falcon's Crest. Drama serial
2.25 Home Cookery Club. Egg 'n'
Vegetable Bake (f). 7-30 EastEnders. The noise from the squar's party angers the neighbours; Michelle teare the worst when her mother gives her some news; and Angle finds out that Den is involved in another dodgy deal. (Ceefax)

8.00 Tomorrow's World reports on the British government a plans for a national radiation monitoring and information network; and Howard Stableford has news of a small solar power station that is supplying San Diego's grid.

8.30 Mastermand. The specialist subjects are W. B. Yeats, Socrates, William Walton and famiasy literature in English, from Washington Irving to Tolkien.

9.00 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

9.05 News with Martyn Lewis and Andrew Harvey. Regional news and weather.

Vegetable Bake (r).

2.30 All Our Yesterdays. Bernard

Braden recalls April 1963 with
record producer George

Macrin Marim.
3.00 Take the High Road. Lady
Margaret organizes a lunch party
3.25 Thames news headlines
3.30 Sons and Daughters.
4.00 Portland Bill. Adventures of a

4.00 Porsend Bill, Adventures of 2 lighthouse keeper (r). 4.10 The Moomins (r). 4.20 The Scoty Show with Matthew Corbett (r). 4.45 A Class of Their Own. A new series begins with members of the Coventry Youth Performance Group is Jinan to perform their dance draw Reserve Tom.

danca drama Peeping Tom
5.15 Winner Takes Ail.
5.45 News with Fiona Armstrong
6.00 Thames news
6.25 Help. Community action news.
6.30 Emmerdale Farm. Phil puts his relationship with Sandie at risk.

7.00 in On the Act. Denis Norden looks at 1960s television varies clips in the company of Bernie Winters. Among those appearing on the clips are the Bachelors, Pete and Dud, Jean Regan and Mike and Bernie Winters.

7.30 Auf Wiedersehen, Pet (r).

(Oracie)
8.00 Busman's Holiday, Trevel quiz
8.30 This Week: Lockout. John
Taylor reports from Sheffield and
London on the over-crowded conditions faced by remand prisoners in police cells. He also talks to the Home Secretary about what he proposes to do about the situation.

9.00 L. A. Law. Drama series set in the offices of a high-powered Los

Angeles law firm.

9.50 A Party Political Breadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party.

10.00 News at Ten with Alastair Burnel and Carol Barnes 10.30

Thames news.

10.35 The City Programme examines who has the right to the surplus billions in pension funds; on Japanese investments in London; and the ethical question of tha 47 British companies linked to

47 British companies linked to nuclear weapons
1.05 01- for London includes Sheridan Morley on Noel Coward's Easy Virtue; and reports on the Elvis exhibition and the Portobello festival.
Followed by Crimestoppers.
11.35 Prisoner: Cell Block H. Drama serial set:

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1.00 Talk, Talk Live. The pop group

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4.00 News headlines tollowed by Too Close for Comfort.
4.30 America's Top Terr.
5.00 ITN Morning News. Ends 6.00.

12.00 Just 4 Fun. Helping Henry and Advantures in Letterland. Two programmes for children.
12.30 Business Daily. Financial and business news service presented by Sasannah Simons.

Sesame Street. Pre-school series for children. The guest is

series for children. The guest is Patti Labelle.

2.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Alastair Stewart. The reporters are Jackie Ashley and Nichotas Woolley.

2.30 Film: Alive and Kicking (1958, b/w) starring Sybil Thorndike, Kathleen Harrison and Estelle Winwood. Comedy about three elderly ladies who run away from an old folks: home and while a nation-wide search for them is going on they set up a business is going on they set up a business on a remote Irish island. With Stanley Holloway. Oirected by Cyril Frankel.

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4.15 Stamp of Royalty. A 1972 Post
Office film following the history of
British Royal commemorative
stamps from 1935 to the Silver
Wedding Anniversary in 1972
of the Queen and the Duke of

of the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh.

4.30 Countdown. Words and numbers game. The questionmaster is Richard.

Whiteley assisted in the dictionary corner by Clement Freud.

5.00 Film: Dr Syn (1937, b/w) starring George Arliss, Margaret Lockwood and Graham Molfett Adventure varn set in the

Moffatt. Adventure yarn, set in the 1780s, about the vicar of a Kentish village who is a pirate long thought dead. He leads his willing partshioners in a liquor-smuggling enterprise, an evernise that brings the area under the gimlet eye of the revenue men. Directed by Floy William Neill

6.30 The Sharp End examines both ends of the Channel Tunnel through the eyes of French and British workers and discovers that the much-vaunted single European market is a long way distant. Plus, how British employers are liberating the labour market in south-west

7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen and Nik Gowing.
7.50 Comment followed by



George Arliss (left) with Graham Moffatt in Dr Syn (C4, 5.00pm) 8.00 Kedleston Halt. A

8.00 Kedleston Hait, A
documentary, namated by Joss
Ackland, about the 18th
century Derbyshira house.
designed by Robert Adam (r).
8.30 Treasure Hunt, Veronica Beryl
and Ann Power are in the studio guiding the gushing and breathless Anneka Rice over the

Devon countryside in pursuit of hidden treasura. (Oracle) 9.30 Film on Four. The First Kangaroos (1987). (Oracle) (see

Angaroos (1967). (Orace) (see Choice)

11.30 Initiation of a Shaman. A documentary, based on the life-long work of anthropologist Jacques Lizot, following the seven-day initiation of a shaman, or holy man, of the Yanomami Indians of Venezueia, during which he fasts. takes drugs and becomes increasingly weak, thereby jeopardizing the ceremony by being virtually unable to respond by the sixth day. 12.30am Film: Mirror (1974, colour

and by starring Margarita
Terakhova and Oleg
Yankovsky. The Soviet season of
films continues with this autobiography of the director. Andrei Tarkovsky, as he looks back to his childhood and his relationships with his parants and with his children, relatives and wife. In Russian with English subtitles. Ends at 2.30.

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Dennis Waterman (left) and Chris Haywood in a part social drama and part comedy: The First Kangaroos (C4, 9.30pm)

Tackling poms in a sporting way

 A sporting drama which embraces such themes as superstar rivalry, sponsorship, dirty play and media hype may have a cootemporary ring but the events chronicled in The First Kangaroos (Channel 4, 9.30pm) belong not to 1988 but to 1908. The Kangaroos were a Rugby League team from New South Wales, formed in defiance of the Rugby Union establishment over payments for loss of earnings. Nigel Williams's script, based loosely, if not slavishly, on fact, follows the team on a tour of the north of England aod a climactic encounter with the outstanding player in the British game, Albert Goldthorpe (Dennis Waterman). Goldthorpe may be past his best and hates being reminded of it but he is not past employing every disreputable trick in the book to stop the rising young Aussie star, Dally Messenger (Dominic Sweeney). The tour is a shoe-string affair, with the players working as stokers to pay their passage and sleeping

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several to a room to save the pennies. At first the British public stays away but a shrewd publicity campaign ensures a full house at Hunslet for the Goldthorpe-Messenger encounter and its Roy of the Rovers finish. The First Kangaroos is played partly as social drama and partly as comedy without quite making up its mind which it wants to bc. Either way, it could have dooe with a crisper and livelier style. The director, Frank Cvitanovich, spends too much time on exposition and overdoes the Chariots of Fire gimmick of filming the match sequences in tedious slow motion, when the whole point of Rugby League is its speed and aggression. The subject is a splendid one and the film contains much to enjoy. But given a little flair the enjoyment could have been greater.

Peter Waymark

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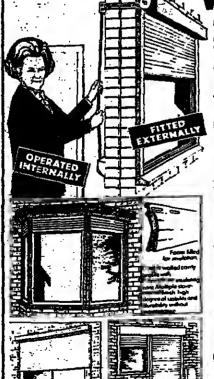
Rocking the boat

 Few academics are better suited to the role of probing politically committed clerics in Turbulent Priests (Radio 4. 11.25am) than Edward Norman, Dean of Peterhouse, Cambridge who, in the 1979 Reith Lectures, took church-men to task for identifying the gospel with political and social ends. And few clerics (or, in the case of today's opening interview, ex-clerics) are better suited to offering themselves for dissection by Dr Norman than Bruce Kent. CND activist par excellence. Both men are notorious boatrockers, so it says much for their respective talents for selfstabilization that neither tips the other into the choppy waters of politico-religious debate. Dean and former priest are both quick thinkers and quick talkers, and you may share my regret that a restraining hand did not fall on their shoulders from time to time. especially as, in 25 minutes flat, they try to do justice to such complex issues as the



Bruce Kent: mixing politics with religion (R4, 11.25am) bring to bear on their social commitment is authentically

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7.30 (Overture to Manfred, Op 115: Bavarian RSO under Kubelik); Schubert (Emtracte No 3 (Rosamunde): Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra under Masur): Mendelssohn (Cosento in Er Acertemy of (Concerto in E: Academy of St Martin-In-the-Fields under Martiner with Brenda Lucas and John Ogdon,

pianol 8.30 News 8.35 Composers of the Week: Britten in America. The Ash Grove: Peter Pears, tenor, and the composer, piano; Diversions, Op 21: LSO under the composer with Julius Katchen; Cuartet No 1, Op 25; Endelfon String Chartet

1, Op 25: Endellon String Cuartet

9.35 Trio Sonnerie: Monica Huggett, violin, Sarah Curringham, viola da camba, and Mitzi Meyerson, harpsichord, perform Hameau's Pièces de clavecin en concerts No 1; Buxteltude's Trio-Sonata in D minor, Op 1 No 6; and Rameau'a Pièces de clavecin en concerts No 3

10.10 The Isle of the Dead: Nuremberg SO under Kloss); and Rechmaninov (The Island of the Dead; Op 29; Berlin PO under Maszeti 10.40 Music for Oboe and Piano; Nicholas Daniel and Julius

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Michael Head, Lennox
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and Madeleine Oring (R)

11.25 BBC Philharmonic
Orchestra: Kodaly'a Dances
from Galante; Bruch's Violin
Concerto No 1 in G minor;
and Brahms's Symphony
NO 2 in D. With Edith
Peinemann, violin. 12.10
interval reading: Malcolm
Ruthven reads from a new
biography by Victor
Borovsky
1.00 News

1.00 News 1.05 Liszt and the Plano: Edith Vogel plays Sonata in B minor (r) 1.45 The Queen of Spades: Tchalkovsky's three-act opera sung in Russian: Chorus and Orchestra of chorus and vicinestra of the Bolshoi Theatre, Moscow under Ermier. With Vladinitr Atlantov, tenor, and Tamara Milashkina, soprano



Tadaaki Otaka (R3, 7.30pm) 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: presented by Andrew

Kenner
6.30 Bandstand: Wayne State
University Symphonic Band
play first UK broadcasts of
Claude T. Smith's Flight,
Roger Nixon's California
Jubilee, and John
Coriglano's Gazebo Dances
7.00 News

7,00 News 7,05 Third Ear: Michael Hall talks to Donald Mitchell and Henry-Louis de La Grange, two Malter scholars
7.30 BSC Weish Symphony Orchestra (conducted by Tadaali Otaka); Diamond anniversary concert live anniversary concert live from St David's Hall in Cardiff, Mozen's Piano Caront, Mozart s Franco
Concerto No 19 in F (K 459);
and Martier's Symphony No
5, With Bernerd D'Ascoll,
piano. 8.00 Daniel Jones
reflects on the 60 year
history of the BBC Welsh

9.45 Mr Gottlieb Will Not Be 9.45 MT Gottlieb Will Not Be Writing: by Michael Swiss. Read by David Garth (f)
10.00 Music in Our Time: First UK broadcasts of Christoph Delz's Worksongs: the Endymion Ensemble with the composer, prepared plano; and Delz's in the Jungle (Homage to the Dougnier Rousseau: South West German Radio Orchestra under Kazimlerz Kord)

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No 2; and Hummsl's Theme

and Variations in F 12.00 News 12.05 Wolf 88: Barry McDaniel, baritone, and Robert Spilman, piano, play Auf eine Christblume I (r). 12.10

a pivotal point - whether the dimension that activist clerics Radio 4

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cussed in the context of pri-

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members of the public to make their own investigat radio programme. With Susan Marling and Nigel

Programma: Lionel Kelleway talks to Eric Hansen about the crea he encountered on his 1.500-mile walk across Borneo; and Jessica Holm examines honey-guides — birds thet lead animals to

birds thet lead animals to bees' nests

10.45 An Act of Worship

11.00 News; Travel; Citizens

11.25 Turbulent Priests (new series); Edward Norman tells to four clerics who have chosen to interpret their loyalty to God in political terms. (1) Bruce Kent (see Choice)

11.50 Smith and Son; Phil Smith with some observations about being a father for the first time

about being a father for the first time

12.00 News; You and Yours with John Howard

12.25 Flying the Flag: Comedy by Alex Shearer starring Dinsdale Landen as the ambassador at one of HM Embassies in a far-flung people's republic (s) 12.55 Weather

1.00 The World at One: presented by Gordon Clough

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1.35 A Party Political Broadcast on behalf of the Conservative Party
1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55

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2.00 News; Woman's Hour:
Includes features on women
and anger; and the French
Elections; plus part three of
Helen of Burma, read by
Mary Wimbush



• Like Turbulent Priests, Later Than You Think (Radio 4, 3.00pm), a comedy about a mature couple at odds on their honcymoon, proves that, with a bit of give and take on both sides, it is not uncommon to arrive at a common denomi-

Peter Davalle

3.00 News; Later Than You Think

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6.10 Farming Today 6.25
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8.30 News Summary 6.45
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Susan Manning and rigger Farrell

9.45 | Should Say So (new series): Michael Williams reads four new Robb Wilton sketches by Allen Saddler (1) The Telephone

10.00 News; The Natural History

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(s] Play by Jack Gerson
about a honeymooning
coupte. With Robert
Urquhart and Gwen Watford
(see Choice]
4.00 News
4.05 Bookshelf: Nigel Forde talks
to John Mortimer about his
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4.35 Kalaidoscope (r)
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6.00 Six O'Clock News, incl Financial Report Financial Report

6.30 Brain of Britain 1988:
Robert Robinson chairs the
nationwide general
knowledge quiz played this

week by contesta London (r)

7.00 News
7.05 The Archers
7.20 Any Answers?: An opportunity to raise some of the subjects tackled in fast week's "Any Questions?". week's "Any Questions?"
Introduced by Brian Gear
7.36 From Raj to Rajiv: Forty
Years of Independence. The
BBC'a Delhi Correspondent
Mark Tully charts India's
progress since the British
left. (3) Old Gods for New Ir)
8.15 The Good and Faithfut:
David Wade talks to some
of the many thousands who
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service between the two
World Wars about their
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9.00 Does He Take Sugar?: A
magazine of special interest
to the disabled. Presented
by Kati Whitaker

9,30 Ian Skidmore visits the B8C Sound Archives (r)
9,45 Kaleidoscope: reviews of Shusaku Endo's book Scandal, of Don Juan at the Royal Exchange, and of the Royal Academy a Early Cazanne exhibition. With

Cazanne exhibition. With Christopher Bigsby
10.15 A Book at Bedtime: A Clergyman's Daughter by Georga Orwell. Read by George Baker (9 of 10)
10.29 Weather
10.30 The World Tonight: with Michael Vestey
11.15 The Financial World Tonight
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rebel loses the whip

By Richard Ford Political Correspondent

The Labour leadership last night signalled its determination to stamp out what it sees as electorally damaging protests by maverick MPs when it decided to withdraw the whip for three months from Mr Ron Brown.

The action against Mr Brown, MP for Edinburgh Leith, will plunge the party into renewed internal controversy. It will be resisted by hard-left colleagues of Mr Brown who caused uproar in the Commons when he failed to apologize formally for tossing the Mace to the floor.

Mr Derek Foster, the chief whip, made the proposal after a series of incidents of parliamentary hooliganism by Labour MPs during this session that have deeply embarrassed the party leadership, and brought his own and the Speaker's authority into ques-

Mr Neil Kinnock, the Lab-our leader, is determined to assert his authority and wants tighter discipline within the parliamentary party as he believes the antics of a few MPs obscure tactical victories over the Government and hinder its long term hopes of electoral recovery.

Although there will be strong criticism of the Shadow Cabinet decision hy left wingers, party leaders are convinced the time is right for

The move is likely to receive widespread support from within the Parliamentary Labour Party (PLP), many of whom have lost patience at the actions of a handful of MPs and were said to be 'incandescent with rage" over Mr Brown's action.

The Shadow Cabinet made its move to withdraw the whip only hours before the Commons debated a cross party motion to suspend the Labour MP from the House for 20 days and after Mr Kinnock had furiously denounced "louts and loudmouths" who disrupt parliament, infuriate colleagues and distract attention from the Government's

In his most vitriolic onslaught on party members since his stinging attack on Liverpool's Militant leaders, the Labour leader criticized Mr Brown for "after hours tantrums and afternoon loutishness" and called for self discipline within the party.

Speaking to the Scottish TUC, Mr Kinnock denounced "the childish antics" of those who regarded themselves as "class warriors who are so country's thanks to the Al-interested in their own images, gerian leadership for "securing in their own interests that they neglect the very people who need us".

The decision by the Com-mons to suspend Mr Brown will be taken on a free vote but last night the MP was un-repentant. "The whole thing is a storm in a tea cup. Some people want to use it for their own ends in the Parliamentary Labour Party. So be it. I have a joh of work to do and I will still do it even if I am suspended".

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By Ronald Faux

ffectiveness of defences in a high-tech

Russia remains a threat to the West, General John Galvin, supreme Allied Commander, Europe, said yesterday during a full-scale test of Britain's air defences. "People still realize there is a threat out there no matter what Chief Battle of Britain. General Galvin showed a boyish enthusiasm at the prospect of a flight in a Tornado F3 with Air Chief Marshal Sir Peter Harding, Com-mander in Chief UK Air Forces and Air Officer Commanding in Chief RAF Strike Command. The General, Secretary Gorbachov has said. The Soviet Military has not changed that much at all and without changes we aged 58, said: "Ever since I was a kid cannot do more than wishful thinkin World War II I have admired the ing", he said while watching the RAF. I used to make models of exercise at RAF Comingsby, Lincoln-Spitfires, Hurricanes and Typhoons."

The hardware had changed and was very good, he said, but it was essential to keep modernizing. He compared it Britain had survived well into the third day of a massive 1,000 sortie assault by a mock enemy on military your car, your toaster or your wife's hair corlers?" he asked. "Not as old targets - air fields, missile sites, and radar stations in Exercise Elder Forest 88. The object was to test the as some of the aircraft being flown

today like the B52", he said. The General said he was sure that Britain could be defended against air attack but he wanted to go up today for a 90-minute sortie to make sure, he added with a grin. Britain would be of vital importance in any future world

RAF Coningsby, with its concrete shelters, air conditioned against nuclear fall-out and chemical assault, was at battle stations. Guarding the runway was a radar controlled Oerliken anti-aircraft gun, part of the £32 million of equipment won from the Argentinians in the Falklands con-

Air Commodore A. F. C. Hunter, director of public relations for the RAF, had little to offer those on the

ground who grew annoyed by the roar of low level RAF training. It was an essential part of the West's determent value that British aircrews should have absolute competence at flying low level sorties and only regular practice bred competence. He said the number of such flights had risen to 150,000 a year but the accident rate had improved dramatically — 17 main accidents last year compared with 10 times that number in 1957 when 150 air crew were killed.

The results of exercise Elder Forest 88 will be analysed by computer but yesterday the onslaught was resisted and an enemy made np of Belgian, French, German, Danish, Canadian and RAF aircraft was largely intercepted and "neutralized."

Budd is an innocent but very talented young athlete!" he bellowed. "It is wrong to give in to blackmail!" But it was one of those days on which, just as things seem

Commons sketch

A dose of Ridley

would quell rebels

speak, day and night, on the finer points of the Poll Tax. Just as, say, Mr Ron Brown and Mr Dennis Canavan were quietly plotting fresh disruptions in one of the darkened cupboards of Westminster, the doors would be thrown open and there would be Mr Ridley, listing yet more statistics and percentages relating to his beloved Community Charge. Within seconds, rebellious Scottish snores would resound through the corridors, and yet another rebellion would drop on to the pillow.

he would hire Mr Nicholas

Ridley on a private basis to

Yesterday, while Mr Rid-ley twittered on, a number of the more savage dogs of the Labour Party padded into the Chamber, but even the most dedicated bloodhound sometimes just laps at his water and dreams of bones.

Mr Eric Heffer garrumphed into the Chamber dressed in a more furious version of the Garrick Club
tie. Perhaps elevation to such
a distinguished coterie, and
the chance to ruh shoulders with Donald Sinden, Melvyn Bragg and many of the stars of television's longest-running panel games had tem-pered his political will; or perhaps he was saving his fire for later in the evening, when the future of Mr Brown was to be discussed.

Mr Ridley's Environment Department spans an endless landscape of human life, and it seems to contain a Junior Minister in charge of almost any endeavour you can call to mind. Somewhere or other, there will be a Minister in Charge of Switching the Light Off Before You Go To Bed, or a Minister with Special Responsibility for Mowing the Lawn. When Mr Ridley sits down, one of these Ministers will stand up, and for a few brief moments the House. will wake with a start.

When the Minister for Sport took to the Despatch Box, Ms Diane Abbott had a word or two to say about Miss Zola Budd. She was, said Ms Abbott, "a walking, talking, running, public rela-tions stunt for South Africa". Oho! There is nothing like a sceptical reference to Miss Budd to make smoke pour from the ears of Tory back-benchers. Mr Nicholas Win-

If Mr Neil Kinnock really wished to quell the ruder members of his backbenches, before ending on red. Miss

> to be about to get going, they plummet once again toto duliness. Mr Dennis Canavan is as sinister and cadaverous as an innkeeper from a story by Mr Robert Louis Stevenson, Alas, sometimes such innkeepers merely potter in, politely serve the drinks and then potter out again, without so much as a curse or a threat. When Mr Canavan rose to his feet, hushed observers expected him to urge the House to-roll out three spirited cheers on behalf of Mr Ron Brown, and then to collapse into a flood of abuse when his request was not granted. Instead, Mr Canavan sought to congrain-late everyone who partici-pated in the London Marathon. What a bleak, bleak day it was turning out to be

After Mr Ridley bad exited, the excitement grew. Mr Dale Campbell-Savours can some-times lend bite so a wet afternoon, exposing an Official Secret or two, or point-ing his spindley linger at a misbehaving Minister. Often be is like a particularly unsuitable conjuror at a children's party, producing dead rabbits from misplaced bats. Out of an envelope, he pro-duced what he called a "communication" from "a paid hack".

"No Honomable Member: is a paid hack!" claimed the Speaker. Mr Campbell-Savours withdrew his remark, instead referring to "a paid consultant". His objection, which seemed to lose steam even as it emerged from his mouth, was to Members who used the internal facilities of the House to engage in outobjections go, this was very little, but then up rose Mr Skinner to make a little go a long way, ranting about Tory Finally subdued by the Speaker, he yelled the dread threat, "You're going to get more of that later!" Come back, Mr Ridley, all is

Craig Brown

Gunmen given safe passage

Continued from page 1

tory in which innocent lives were saved hut in which principle - enshrined in Kuwait's refusal to free the 17 extremists - was upheld. Kuwait's tacit approval of

the Algerian action was evident yesterday evening when Mr Saoud al-Asami, the Kuwaiti Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, expressed his the release of the hostages and ending this tragedy safely."

Mr al-Asami said he did not know the whereabouts of the hijackers; an Algerian security official, who was named as Mr Mohamed Fahd, claimed that the gunmen were still in Algiers although he would give no further information to support his assertion.

Kuna, the official Kuwaiti news agency later reported that a deal has indeed been agreed for the safe passage of

the hijackers out of Algiers. Kuwaiti sources in the Gulf said that the seven men, most of whom are believed to be Lebanese, chose to return to homes in Lebanon or Iran,

In the tiredness and amaze-

ment of their own relief after the longest hijacking in recent Middle East history, the 31 passengers and crew from flight KU422, showed no interest yesterday in the fate of those who had held them captive and who had murdered two of their number. ■ LONDON: Two of Scotland Yard's experts on siege tactics and hostage negotiations have been working in Kuwait, police sources disclosed yesterday (Stewart Tendler writes).

Both men are linked to a small unit called SO.10, formed just over a year ago, whose official job is providing "logistical support for crime operations".

Algiers sanctions threat

and also within the EEC political co-operation committee and the International Civil Aviation Association, to establish the facts.

The Times underlands that Britain is likely to call for the Bonn declaration to be invoked if present suspicions over the nature of the deal are confirmed. The seven countries reaffirmed their commitment to the declaration at Tokyo in 1986 and at Venice last June.

yesterday after receiving preliminary reports suggesting that the hijackers would not be brought to justice. They have been fearing such an outcome since Cyprus allowed the plane to leave Larnaca.

A statement issued on be-half of Mrs Thatcher said: "Those responsible ought without question to brought to justice. If terrorists are allowed to escape un-punished, it will only lead to more hijacking and more hostage-taking."

Downing Street made it clear that, while Mrs Thatcher was relieved that the remaining hostages were safe, it could not be forgotten that a vicious act of terrorism had taken place with the cold-blooded murder of two people.

Mr David Mellor, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, said: "Those glimpses that we have of the arrangements so far reveal at least one aspect to be entirely unsatisfactory, and that is that the hijackers apparently have been allowed

"They are going to do it again, and the world community cannot possibly applaud an outcome that has allowed that to happen". Mr Mellor added: "A num-

ber of countries who are as dedicated as we are to the fight against international terror will want to discuss this."

He said no one should underestimate the Government's concern. Many people would find it "utterly repugnant" if the hijackers went

dry day with sunny spells, the best of the sunshine in the south and east, where it will turn out quite warm. However, some south and west-facing coasts, with parts of the north-west, are likely to be more cloudy. South-east Scotland and Northern

Commons foreign affairs committee earlier that, amid relief that the hostages were safe, "we should think hard before we throw our hats into the air". He said that it would be "extremely regrettable" if, as the Algerian Foreign Minister had suggested, the hijackers had disappeared "like rain

Mr Melior added: "The idea that they will go back to hew wood and draw water in quiet obscurity is a nonsense. They

• WASHINGTON: The White House yesterday welcomed the freeing of the remaining hostages but expressed disappointment that there was no indication that the hijackers were going to be brought to justice (Mohsin Ali writes). It strongly supported Kuwait's "unflinching stand against terrorist blackmail" and its policy of making no concessions to the hijackers, who had murdered two innocent travellers.

Most of England and

Wales will have another

AROUND BRITAIN

12% nurses pay rise Continued from page 1

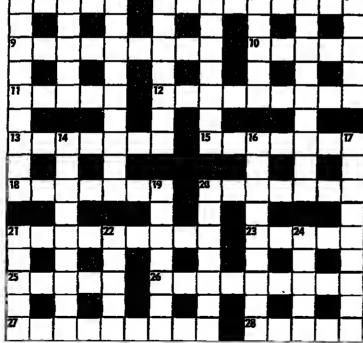
ment for special skills, an approach which was suggested by Mr John Moore, the Social Services Secretary, and DHSS Ministers and which the Treasury is seeking to have adopted in a wide range of pay negotiations.

Last year the implementa-tion of the award to nurses, midwives and health visitors cost £447 million, the allied professions award cost £39 million and that to doctors and dentists cost £230 million. There was some expectation

among MPs last night that the The review body is under- awards to doctors and denstood to have recommended tists, the Armed Services and regional variations in nurses be staged rather than paid in pay and also increased pay be staged rather than paid in full immediately.

The Labour Treasury spokesman, Mr Gordon Brown, claimed last night that the Government's final public sector borrowing requirement figures for 1987-88 showed that the Government had spent £2.7 billion less than it had planned in the financial year. "The Government can afford not only the full finding of the nurses pay award but also the full £2 billion recovery programme for the National Health Service.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 17.649



- I Check Murphy is coming back
- 4 Book cover has to repeat the title
- Abandoned grotto crumbling into the marsh (9). 10 Get state permit to have a servant (5).
- 11 Huge cost of electrical safety precaution (5).
- 12 So sure to make a discovery (9). 13 Ate basin of sea-food (7).
- 15 Big cars on the US Atlantic seaboard? (7), 18 Go back to buy another round
- 20 Inconvenienced by action to suppress poem (7).
- 21 Lack of energy deters sin that is fashionable (9).
- 23 King to weaken, until Parsifal wins this? (5).
- 25 Put one in store a wee one (5). 26 One way to be delivered from
- the emperor (9). 27 Take spare writing implement, in a way, out of pocket (9).
- 28 Where one would find a wander-

1 Kind of course fee (9). Less draped about in silks (5).

3 Tempting, but it can bite a few people (9). 4 High passage ma move his feet (7).

5 Criticise a guerilla's swagger (7). 6 Sound examples of it are D and X, both ending in C (5). 7 Everyone in support of high-

level operation shows courage 8 Bird perched on an enormous man (5). 14 Decide to set boy up with the trappings of rank (9).

16 Get great help working the scoreboard (9). 17 Secondary activities include minor verse (9).

19 Blandishments well described by Dormouse (7). 20 Due to eat second course (7). 21 It's forbidden to put a native

inside (5). 22 Repudiate saint - he's French 24 Advanced to a crisis (5).

Ireland may see a few sunny spells but there will be rain, mostly in the north and west. Outlook: Cloudy and showers. ABROAD

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

Art Parts By Philip Howard

FROTTAGE

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c. A sculptor ORPIMENT

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a. Tracing by rubbing b. A Scots Colourist c. A dry fresco

. A Venetian nainter

. A square tondo

a. Yellow b. A Flemish School

c. Part of a pediment

c. The red-light district of Pompeii

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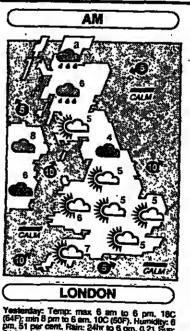
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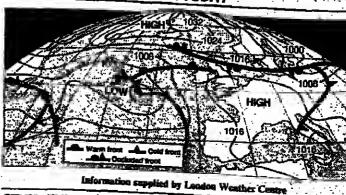
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Executive Editor David Brewerton

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Hodgson Holdings issue flops

The £20 million share placing by Hodgson Holdings, the fuortal directors, to pay for its takeover drive has flopped.

Nioety per cent of the issue has been left with subunderwriters.

The placing of new ordinary and coovertible preference shares at 230p each compared with a market price at the time of 248p. Since then the shares have fallen to last oight's 210p. As a result there were offers for just 224,769 units or 10.12 per cent.

Bank job cuts

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce is restructuring its London-based investment arm following the peoding acquisition of Wood Gundy Inc and is laying off 124 staff.

Parambe rise

Parambe, the jovestmeot company and art dealer, made pretax profits of £160,000 in 1987, up from £139,000 the previous year. A final divi-dend of 0.95p lifts the total by 0.1 p to 1.45p.

B&J advance

Brown & Jackson, the toiletries distributor, turned io pretax profits of £661,000 for 1987, compared with £21,000 a year ago. Net earnings rose to 1.7p a share, against 2.23p loss last time.

SUMMARY

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PERSONAL PROPERTY.	1388.4 (-9.7)
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London:	401-2 (-2.1)
FT "500"	920.88 (-4.91) 1013.54 (-6.36) 216.4 (-1.7)
FT. Fixed interest	97.90 (-0.41) 91.09 (-0.22)
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MAIN PRIC	E CHANGES
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Storehouse	561½p (+17p) 286½p (+12p)
CE Heath	297p (+12p) 385p (+13p)
Chesterneig	453½p (+16p) 650p (+15p)
Back of Wales	60p (+10p)
Castle Comm	215p (+10p) 163½p (+11p)
Shiloh	276p (+13p)

INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 8% 3-month Interbank 8%-8% 3-month eligible bills:72532-72322% buying rate US: Prime Rate 8½% Federal Funds 7½%* 3-morth Treasury Bills 5.85-5.83%* 30-year bonds 97-5-e-973132*

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Record £3.6bn repaid after revenue boom

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

of public sector debt in the 1987-88 financial year, better than the Treasury estimated in the Budget last month and easily the biggest ever annual debt repayment.

The bonanza in tax revenues continued until the end of the financial year, with income tax and VAT receipts rising strongly.

inland Revenue receipts rose by £7.4 billion or 13 per cent last year, against a fore-cast increase of 12.5 per ceot in the Budget. Customs and Excise receipts were up by £3.6 billion, or 9 per cent, compared with an 84 per cent Budget forecast. But, with emergiog signs of

a moderation in the pace of growth in the economy, it is unlikely that this year will see a repeat of the massive borrowing undershoots of the

A slowdown io output and spending would hit tax revcnues and make a public spending undershoot less likely. Against this, strong growth io earnings and company profits continues, the

latter in spite of sterliog's rise. Eveo so, although City economists expect this year's debt repayment to be larger than the Treasury's £3.2 bil-

Britain repaid £3.6 billion lion projection, a slowdown in the Treasury estimated a £3.1 the economy could mean that the £3.6 billion repayment of 1987-88 represents the high point of the borrowing cycle. In 1986-87, the Government had to borrow £3.4 billion.

"People are begioning to think in terms of a slowdown but the evidence is still ten-tative." said Mr John Shepperd, an economist at Warburg Securities. "If there is a slowdown the PSBR will suf-fer but the Chancellor may have been cautious in bis projections."

The City has assumed that the baseline for the 1988-89 PSBR will be represented by the Treasury's £3.2 billion projection, after recent official underestimates. Mr Mark Brown, an economist at Phillips & Drew, said that on "conservative" assumptions, there should be a debt repayment of £4.5 billion this year.

The £3.6 billioo repayment of public sector debt in 1987-88 signalled the Treasury's third underestimate of the strength of tax revenues.

In the March 1987 Budget, the Chancellor projected a £4 billion public sector borrowing requirement for 1987-88. In the Autumn Statement last November this was revised

billion PSBR surplus, or debt repayment.

The outturn announced yesterday means that borrowing in 1987-88 was £7.6 billion lower than the Treasury first estimated. The PSBR io March alooe was £3.8 billinn, against Cily expectations of about £3.5 billion.

The 1987-88 debt repayment was the first since 1969-70 when Mr Roy (now Lord) Jenkins was Chancellor. Trea-sury officials said that the 1969-70 repayment of £0.6 billion would represeot £3.4 billion in present-day prices, apparently giving Mr Lawson the prize for the most prudent management of the public finances.

But the 1987-88 repayment incorporated £5.1 billioo of privatization receipts and, as a percentage of GDP last year's surplus was less than I per cent, compared with 1.25 per cen1 in 1969-70.

The financial markets were subdued yesterday. Gilts fell by about half a point, with concern over the March money supply figures, due today. Market expectations are that narrow money, MO, will show a 12-month growth rate of more than 6 per cent. down to £l billion, and finally, and that bank lending will in the Budget oo March 15, show a rise of about £3 billing. and that bank lending will

Queen's Awards for

By David Young The latest Queen's Awards for export and technology, an-nounced today, show that the heavy end of Britaio's industry is again taking a leading part in the scheme, with winners from the high-technology metals and heavy mining equipment industries.

The City is also represented, with ooe stockbroker winning an award for its earnings in Japan. The designers of the pocket telephone, beloved of the new breed of City operators, have also won an

award. The aviation, medical sup- jected because they could oot

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By Our City Staff

Top executives of Suchard

the Swiss chocolate company.

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the British coofectionery

group in which they have bought a 14.9 per cent stake,

when they met City analysts

Suchard - represented by Mr Robert Jaunich, the vice-

president and Mr Johann

Widmer, the treasurer - out-

lined its future strategy, but

would not say whether Rowniree featured in its long-term plans. They singled out the Far East and the Uoited

States as likely areas of expan-

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ply, textile and computer industries are also represented amoog the 102 export and 43 technology winners. A total of 985 companies applied for awards, but many were re-

meet the strict criteria of showing a "substantial and sustained" improvement in their export performance.

Amnng the winners is a three-man company from Grimsby, Humberside, which exports frozen fish; a shortbread maker io the Scottish Highlands, and a company which makes ornaments in the shape of small pottery cot-tages, and which has grown, in six years, from a business employing seven people work-ing in a cooverted stable block, to one employing 520 in three factories to Cumbria.

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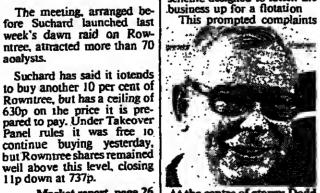
Chemist calls for EGM on Unichem

By Michael Tate

Mr John Newbould, a chemist, will today formally ask for an extraordinary geogral meeting of Unichem members to vote on a resolution to keep the pharmaceutical group a friendly society.

Mr Newbould, aged 45 and founder member of Unichem, which is an industrial co-operative, claims to have received letters of support from more than 500 of bis fellow shareholders, enough, he believes, to requisitioo a special meeting. His request will made by letter today.

Unichem has been in turmoil since the beginning of January wheo its chief executive, Mr Peter Dodd, launched a share discouot scheme designed to fatten the



by its main quoted rivals, AAH and Macarthy, to the Department of Trade and Industry and the Office of Fair Trading, and, eventually, brought takeover proposals

from Macarthy. A bitter war of words has been fought, and the 4,000 or so independent pharmacists who collectively own Unichem have been deluged with literature oo the conflicting arguments. But they bave become increasingly frus-trated at the lack of interest in their views.

"Many of us have loyally supported Unichem for many years, only to fiod all of a sudden that we are faced with becoming a public company and at a time when the market is declining," said Mr

Mr Nicholas Ward, chair-mao of Macarthy, which has preferred to delay its own campaign until the DTI and the OFT have pronounced on Unichem's controversial scheme, welcomed Mr Newbould's move.

"His ioitiative doesn't surprise me at all. It demonstrates further how wrong the Unichem board were not to put their plans, and indeed our plans, before their

Family firm builds £66.2m profits



Family tree: Peter Costain, group chief executive, yesterday, by a painting of Richard Costain, his great grandfather, founder of the company. (Photograph: Alan Weller)

Costain joins the band of power station operators

By Alexandra Jackson

Costain Group has joined the growing band of companies planning to build and operate power stations.

A site on the South coast of England has been identified and Costain, together with its partner, an American engineering company, is io advanced talks with the Central

Electricity Generating Board. The capacity of the power station is unlikely to be more than 600 megawatts, accordgroup chief executive. Although it is oot going to be nuclear powered, it has not yet been decided whether it will be fuelled by gas, coal, or coal and oil combined. Further details should be released

within the oext six months. Costain is also finalizing details to design, build and operate a smaller, 60MW

New chief

for AG

Stanley

By Joe Joseph

Mr Phillip Jeffrey, who be-

came a 9.11 per cent share-holder in AG Staoley Hold-

ings wheo he sold his Jacoa

do-it-yourself retailing group to Staoley last August, is

becoming oon-executive deputy chairmao.

The move will greatly strengthen the boardroom muscle of Stanley, the FADS

and Home Charm stores

group, during the bostile take-over bid it currently faces from Ward White. But Stanley

denies the move was triggered to buy Mr Jeffrey's allegiance.

Mr Jeffrey's arrival,

accompanied by the appoint-

ment of Mr David Arundale

as another non-executive

director, will boost the board's

power station in Australia. This aims to supply the New South Wales Electricity Commission and will use coal from one of Costain's mines in the area. Both projects will seek outside lovestors.

Costain satisfied the market by announcing pretax profits up from £64.3 million to £66.2 million. These results were achieved in spite of providing up to £6.5 million to cover an outstanding claim on a Glasgow Hospital cootract and possible losses on work in London's Royal Docks.

Sales advanced from £866 million to £970 million. A higher tax charge and increas-ed share capital squeezed earnings per share from 27.5p to 25.7p. A final dividend of 6p was declared, making 9.65p for the year (8.75p).

Costain is making an open offer and placing of 10.1 mill-ion shares at 295p to raise £29 million net of expenses. This is to cover the cost of acquir-ing the outstanding 33 per cent minority in Costain Australia.
At the end of March, Costain made a cash offer at Aus\$3.80 per Costain Australia share, lotalling Aus\$72.2 million (£28.5 million).

Mr Costain said the 16 per cent advance in the order Outhwaite will have no fur-book to £500 million masked ther liability to claims that a 46 per cenl iocrease io Britain. "I am more optimistic about the prospects for the group during 1988 than I bave been for some time." he said.

Mr Costain said he had no recent contact with Trafalgar House which owns 6.9 per cent of the equity.

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Lloyd's groups reach accord

By Alison Eadie Two warring Lloyd's syndicates have reached a compromise agreement that could pave the way for a wider settlement covering 32 Lloyd's syndicates and poten-tial claims of more than £250

RHM Outhwaite, a Lloyd's managing agent, has agreed that its syndicate 661 will pay syndicate 620, owned by Wellingtoo Uoderwriting Agencies, just under \$50 mil-lion (£26 millioo) in full and final settlement of all its liabilities. The payment cov-ers all reported claims, plus a small additional payment, and then caps Outhwaite's liability to further claims.

Outhwaite has been contest ing its liability to meet claims under the ruo-off reinsurance policies it wrote for other syndicates in 1982, because it said the cootracts were placed without adequate background disclosure. The policies cover claims relatiog to asbestosis and pollutioo in the US, the scale of which has taken the whole Lloyd's market by

Outhwaite has already put £248 million into reserves against potential claims, and has been unable to close the 1982 accounts of syndicate 661. Lloyd's syndicates are trying to finalize their accounts before the eod of April aod Outhwaite's reserves are expected to need considerable

A lotal of 13 Lloyd's syndicates are io dispute with Outhwaite, out of the 32 that bought ruo-off policies. One dispute has already reached the courts, six more are at the arbitration stage and a further six moving towards official

Roberts & Hiscox, the underwriting agency that has taken legal action against Outhwaite, told its names that it was ridiculous to suggest that all the underwriters who bought reinsurance from Outhwaite were aware of the problems of asbestosis and pollution and only Outhwaite was not. Despite the legal action, R&H is thought to be behind the compromise set-

The council of Lloyd's, while not officially involved in the dispute, is understood to be in favour of the settlement. If the other syndicates reach similar agreements, Outhwaite will have no furhave not yet been reported. Of the 32 policies written, 26 had no upper limit, leaving Outhwaite liable to potentially

limitless claims. The syndicates that bought the policies will have to foot the bill for future claims if they accept payment from Outhwaite only for those which have been notified.

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stake in Stanley from 8.4 per cent to 19.3 per cent. Market report, page 26 | At the centre of storm: Dodd End of a global debt collector

By Cliff Feltham

One of the most successful debt collection agencies in the world is to close. The Council of Foreign Bondholders says its 120-year campaign to shame, chivvy and cajole overseas governments into settling their debts is over.

The body has helped extract more than £1.000 million from defaulting governments through the years. Few regimes have escaped its relentless pursuit. Countries in the East and the West have succumbed to international pressure and, often after decades of negotiation, agreed to redeem the colourful bonds issued by their predecessors — which might otherwise have been useful only as

adornments to lampshades. But now the council - which despite its impressive title has been run by a part-time manager and secretary from an office in High Street, Bromley - says last year's agreement with China and Bol-

garia brings its work to an end. In its own obituary accompanying last year's annual report, the council says it

has been instrumental in the settlement of defaults on the bonded debts of nearly all the countries of Europe and Central and South America, as well as Japan and more recently Rhodesia (Zimbabwe).

"Io some cases debtor governments have insisted on treating only with the British Government (the recent agree-ments with the USSR, China and Bulgaria are examples), but the council have usually been active behind the

The council, which was set up in 1868, is asking the Department of Trade and Industry for permission to proceed into

Mr Eric French, a former Bank of England official who is manager of the council, says: "We have really come to the end of the road with defaults. Many people who bought bonds issued by governments years ago were private individuals. More receotly financial institutions have taken over as the maio providers of the debt, and they can probably look after their own affairs."

The council has chalked op some notable victories for bondholders. British holders of 150-year-old South American war bonds shared in a £1 million payout after lengthy oegotiations. The money was raised in Londoo and used to finance a war against the Spanish in

But the council is signing off with a cote of regret. Mississippi still owes nearly \$7 million (£3.7 million) on 6 per cent Planters' State Bonds which should have been repaid in 1831, and Unioo Bank Bonds which were due in 1838. The council notes sourly: "Over the years successive letters from the council to the Governors of the State have not been answered." The file will also be left open oo loans issued io 1927 by the City of Dresden and the Free State of Saxooy. both oow in East Germany.

The council was created during the era of gunboat diplomacy, but ootes in its report: "Happily the council have never found it necessary to ask HM Government to go to war on their behalf."

Clinton Cards floats at £20.3m valuation

Clinton Cards, a leading retailer of greeting cards, is coming to the stock market via a partial placing and offer for sale which values the company at £20.3 million. A total of 2.17 million shares is being placed with institutions and a further 1.17 million are offered for sale at 150p. The flotation of 24.7 per cent of Clinton's equity will raise £5 million, of which £3 million will go to the company and £2 million to existing

At the end of January Clinton had 77 outlets based mainly in the South-east and East Anglia. Mr Don Lewin, the chairman and managing director, said he intended to continue the expansion of the number of shops and was confident that the prospects for continued sales and profits growth were excellent. Clinton made pretax profits in the year to the end of January of £1.6 million on a turnover of £13.2 million.

Profits soar at KPG

Kentish Property Group, which was floated on the stock market last July, re-ported pretax profits of £3.9 million for last year, up from £1 million. Turnover rose from £7 million to £19.6 million. KPG, which expects help from the Government's inner city initiatives, is planning to build 600 apartments and houses for first-time

Southend Property up

Southend Property Holdings
— formerly Southend Stadium — pushed pretax profits
up from £208,000 to £2.5 million last year. Turnover rose from £860,000 to £20 million. The company, which recently completed the £70 million takeover of Hampton Trust, is paying a second interim dividend of 0.2p a share, making a total of 0.3p
— double the previous year.

Glaxo's Japan centre

Glaxo Holdings, the pharmaceutical group, is spending up to £42 million on establishing a research and development centre in Japan as part of its £1 billion investment programme. It is looking for a suitable site at the Tsukuba science city, north of Tokyo, and negotiations are under way with the Japanese authorities, Sir Paul Girolami, the chairman, said in Tokyo yesterday.

Building should start next year and take about three years, costing 8 billion to 10 billion yen (£34 million to £42 million). The centre is expected to employ 200 research scientists, rising eventually to 300. Glaxo's massive investment programme on research and development was an the London investment community last week.

CPU registers Fire payment

CPU Computers, the USMquoted computer distributor. which is 90 per cent owned by the French group SCOA, made pretax profits of £1.2 million in 1987. This compares with £435,000 earned in the six months to December 1986, before a change in the company's year end. There is again no dividend — CPU has not made a payment since the end of 1984.

£1.2m profits to Bowthorpe

Bowthorpe Holdings re-ceived £1.95 million in consequential loss compensation in 1987, after an arson attack in August 1986, at its Hasting plant. The company received £546,000 insurance money in 1986 and says further receipts under its claim are due this year. Mr Ray Parsons, the chairman, said negotiations with several US businesses are under way.

£14m pharmacy deal

AAH, the pharmaceuticals supplier and fuel distributor, has bought W Jamieson (Chemists) for a maximum of £14 million in a move which raises the number of franchised retail pharmacies operated by the group to 50. Jamieson operates 29 shops in the south Yorkshire area and north Derbyshire. The vendors, a family, are taking up to 4.75 million new AAH shares - which they have said they will hold and which gives them a stake of about 7 per cent - and a maximum of £1.4' million in cash.

The final consideration is dependent on profits, which are expected to be not less than £1.6 million in the last financial year and net assets, but AAH has already issued 4.28 million shares and paid £1.26 million. The stores will trade under the group's Vantage banner, the venture it set up in 1987.

French deal for Kwik-Fit US purchase

Kwik-Fit Holdings, the tyre and exhaust fitting group, is buying 80 per cent of Tours Poeus, a privately-owned French tyre retailer, for £5.6 million cash, with an option to purchase the balance. The company operates 17 outlets in western France and made pretax profits of £1.24 million in 1987. The price for the rest of the company will be based on future profits but is expected to be about £1.4

MTM makes

MIM borough Technical Manage ment group, has bought Traybor, the chemical intermediates manufacturer of Rock Hill, South Carolina, for \$7.35 million (£3.89 million). The deal also includes the 100-acre site on which Traybor is based and offers "considerable scope for expansion," says MTM. MTM has paid \$5 million already, with the balance due

Hawker Siddeley's hidden charms

It is awfully hard to get excited Nova Scotian rail wagon about Hawker Siddeley. Its manufacturer. products, broadly defined as electrical and diesel motors

and generators, are hidden from view beneath their bousings, and are usually only noticed when they fail to But as modern life could not

continue without them, we cannot ignore the leading manufacturers just because they seem a little dull. And anyway, perhaps they are not quite as dull as a 7 per cent profits and 9 per cent earnings advance might imply.

Closer examination of the figures reveals significant profits growth in four of the ive main business segments. In particular, diesel engineering nearly doubled its profit contribution to £13.7 million. This represents a nearly full recovery to profit levels prior to the oil price slump.

Its Middle Eastern sales have been replaced with new orders from elsewhere, including Europe and the Far East. The group is now about to launch a new range of aircooled and water-cooled engines to compete with Japanese machines.

The only division where the performance has been less than satisfactory has been specialized equipment, whose contribution fell 7 per cent to £40.6 million. This segment should improve this year after the sale of the unprofitable

But currency had a £7 for currency movements, earnings would have risen by nearer 15 per cent.

Bank of Scotland has reason to be pleased with itself. A growth in operating profits of 32 per cent proved it was not simply relying on a minimal Latin American exposure to look good compared with the English clearers.

Such percentage profits growth is well ahead of NatWest and most of the other English banks. The bank has been singularly successful

Indeed, parts of this division did well, especially the agriculture and forestry division in Canada and the US which makes sawmill equip-ment, and Hawker de Havilland, the aerospace equipment manufacturer in Australia.

million adverse effect on the translation of group profits into sterling. Had it not been

19B3 1984 After yesterday's 7p price

rise to 467p, the shares are on a prospective multiple of 8 and a yield of 6 per cent. The balance sheet is strong, and investors who buy now for the yield will benefit in the future from any turnround in the

Bank of Scotland

HAWKER SIDDELEY Share price (RH scale)

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for paying state pensions to expatriates is now in profit.

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in maintaining lending margins, despite a swift increase in assets, by juggling its mix of

By raising the amount of personal lending over the last few years, the bank has managed to raise its average lending margin from 1.7 per cent to 2 per cent in an increasingly competitive

This was achieved largely by boosting the mortgage book, which represents some 21 per cent of the bank's British domestic lending.

As a result its personal lending has risen from some 20 per cent to about 40 per cent of its British business with a commensurate fall in less profitable commercial banking.

The bank has also kept commission income growing at the same rate as assets -

The only slight worry is the continuing beavy increase in Profits from propert costs, up 14 per cent if the benefits of the pension holiday are excluded. But new businesses require new staff - the Visa processing centre alone took on 400 more people and the growth of expenses is no more than that of most other clearers.

Bank of Scotland must, therefore, feel somewhat miffed that the bank sector as a whole is so depressed by Latin American debt problems and monster rights issues. Its consolation must be that with a p-e of about eight it has the highest rating of any clearer, and deserves it. abont 18 per cent. Several schemes are beginning to pay dividends. The Taps system

Costain

It says something about the long-term nature of contracting that Costain's 1987 results include a £1.5 million deduc-New links with the building tion for a contract completed in 1969. At least the other big provision, of nearly £5 million for losses on the Royal Docks contract, may be reclaimed. The results are a vindication of the bank's policy of The quality of the construc-

finding ways to expand other than through more and more branches. For example, it has tion order book has improved, especially in Britain. Extraordinary charges of £5.9 million primarily covered the engineering and construction activities. Loss-elimination and benefits from restructuring should boost E&C profits.

Overseas construction profits have fallen from 50 per cent in 1983 to 9 per cent in 1987. Costain has done well to

Profits from property sales were £12 million last year with a 27 per cent increase in rental income. Costain now has £154 million of investment properties and £400 million of

development properties. Even bearing in mind the £120 million earmarked to spend on the housing, prop-erty and mining portfolio this year, the unwelcome presence on the share register of Trafalgar House may have clinched Costain's decision to find the purchase of its Australian minority by a placing, thus

diluting the holding. Trafalgar House's intentions are unclear as, spant from mining, its activities mirror those of its prey. To buy Costain would be an expensive way of getting a share of the Channel tunnel.

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Moreover, with Costain set to increase 1988 profits by at least 20 per cent, to more than £80 million, Trafalgar House may find its target moving out reach. It may have to be satisfied with being one of Costain's many shareholders.

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Storehouse leaps on takeover talk market suffered another dull

Share price

The retail sector was put on alert last night after talk swept the market in late trading that another bid for Storehouse. the British Home Stores and Habitat-Mothercare retailer, is on the way.

Storehouse responded to the suggestions with a leap of 26p to 300p as nearly 9 million shares changed hands. Dealers were talking of a possible dawn raid on the shares today or even a full hid.

are thought to be putting together an offer with the names of Mr Robert Maxwell. the newspaper publisher and Dr Ashraf Marwan, the Egyptian financier, both prom-inent. There was even talk that Lonrho, the international trading group, might be keen to get in on the act after losing the battle for control of House of Fraser.

Storehouse has been the subject of intense speculation in recent weeks and City men are said to be unhappy with the group's performance since and Habitat-Mothercare. Last year. Mr Tony Clegg's Mountleigh bought a small stake and expressed interest in making an agreed bid but no formal offer was made.

Hoping to capitalize on the institutions' dissatisfaction, Benlox, the small industrial conglomerate, launched an audacious, £2.1 billion bid a lew weeks later which was unanimously rejected by the

day as investors showed a marked reluctance to open new positions ahead of today's money supply figures, particu-larly with the account coming to an end tomorrow.

Prices drifted lower on lack of support and on sporadic profit-taking. The FT-SE 100 share index closed 12.1 points lower at 1,786.8, having been 15.7 points down at one stage, while the FT 30 share index At least two consortiums ended 10.3 points off at 1,419.4. Gilt-edged stocks were also

apprehensive ahead of today's lending figures and finished with modest losses ranging to Hawker Siddeley responded about 9.

warmly to the figures, showing pretax profits up from £152.1 million to £163.2 million. The company was expected to meet a number of fund managers at a seminar arranged by Albert E Sharp, the Birmingham-based broker, last night to discuss the figures. the original merger of BHS Further meetings have been arranged with fund managers later today. The shares rose by 8p to 468p.

Most City analysts are already forcasting profits for the and wallpaper group and this current year of about £180 week has found itself em-

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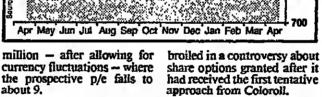
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ALPHA STOCKS



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John Crowther, the textile group, enjoyed a rise of 3p to 189p on a turnover of 1.6 million shares following whispers in the market-place that Thomas Robinson, the fastgrowing industrial conglomerate beaded by Mr Graham Rudd, was lining up a counterbid. Crowther is already the subject of an agreed, £215 million bid from Mr John Ashcroft's acquisitive Coloroll, the soft furnishings

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on Tuesday, the 3rd day of May 1988 at 2.30 pm for

To consider the Accounts and Balance Sheets for the year ended 31st December 1987 and the Reports of the

Thomas Robinson is said to

have already bought a stake in Crowther — paying above the one-for-one terms from Coloroll — and may now be putting together a cash offer. If the counterbid goes ahead, Mr Rudd will no doubt turn to advice from his brother. Nigel, portant force through a launch a bid. number of acquisitions. The life assurance sector

was boosted by talk of a bid-

in late trading on Tuesday amid talk of a bid from Transatlantic, which already

owns a 25 per cent stake in the company. But it ran into profit-taking, closing 35p cheaper at £11.25 in a thin There has been no love lost between Sun Life and Transatlantic, which is associated with the Liberty Life Group of

South Africa, Matters came to

a head last year when Mr Peter

ing quoted, pure life assurance

had been chased up to £11.60

The Sun Life share price

Grant, Sun Life's chairman, successfully staved off an attempt by Transatlantic to gain boardroom representation. Dealers have been bracing themselves for a full bid ever

The speculation also boiled over into Pearl, 15p higher at 453p, on revived hopes that Mr Larry Adler's FAI Insurances will sooo use its 6.6 per liams Holdings into an im- cent stake in the group to

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Bank of Scotland operating Laporte profits up 31% at £157.8m

Bank of Scotland yesterday million to its special pro-visions against Third World amnounced a 31 per cent increase in operating profits for last year, from £119.8 million to £157.8 million, This is a tioy amount compared with the massive although an exceptional boost to bad debt provisions dragged the pretax result down to £132.6 million — a rise of only 11-per cent on 1986. sums put aside by the English clearing banks last year, because BoS's exposure to

The bank is also proposing to carry out a one-for-two capitalization issue to increase the marketability of its shares, developing countries is relatively small at £233 million. The bank reduced its exposure slightly during the year through debt/equity swaps and other techniques. Bos said that its provision cover for problem country loans was

The group's balance sheet

commercial customers remained strong.

Its mortgage book increased by a third during the year to £1.3 billion. Half its new

mortgage lending came from England, and the bank said that all of its busioess south of the border was growing faster than its traditional business io Scotland.

Commissioo and fee income also rose io line with the increase in lending to £119.9 million. More than a third

grew by 18 per cent to £11 came from bank charges. BoS billion during the year, as also saved oo fees paid to other institutions by taking other institutions by taking over from Barclaycard the processing of its own Visa

THE TIMES THURSDAY APRIL 21 1988

rises

17% to

£75.2m

By Alison Endie

Laporte Iodustries, the speci-ality chemicals manufacturer,

made pretax profits of £75.2

million in the 53 weeks to January 3, a rise of 17.1 per cent on sales 9.7 per cent higher at £463 million.

Earnings per share rose to 5.8p from 30, tp and the total

lividend was increased to 12p

Most of the profits growth

as organic, with only a small

buoyant, Laporte said.

British trading profits rose

24.7 per cent and margins

widened to 15.9 per cent from

14.5 per ceot. Overseas trad-ing profits rose 50 per cent and

rom 10.25p.

tt has reached agreemeot with Halifax Building Society to process the Halifax's credit card when that is launched later this year.

The bank's maio subsidiaries also performed strongly, with North West Securities. the consumer finance arm, contributing £27.1 million, up from £25.1 million.

Profits from British Lineo Bank, the merchant banking operation, rose £800,000 to

Date set for Ward court appeal

The Court of Appeal will hear an appeal on Monday by Mr Thomas Ward, the former Guinness director, against a high court ruling that he must repay £5.2 million to the drinks group.

particularly for smaller ioves-

The shares rose only 2p after the figures 10 512p, despite a 14.5 per cent divi-

Bank of Scotland added £25

dend increase to 18.9p.

The appeal concerns the payment by Guinness of £5.2 million to Mr Ward, via a company based in Jersey, after the success of Guinness's bid to take over the Distillers

After the Department of Trade investigation into Gui-nness was announced the company sued both Mr Ward and Mr Ernest Saunders, its former chairman, over the payment, and obtained a freezing order against Mr Saunders' assets in this country.

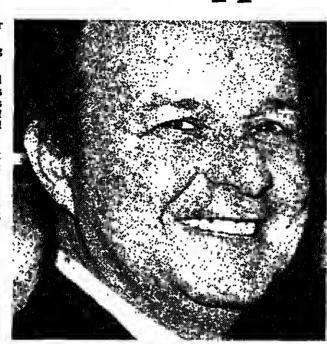
Following lengthy legal proceedings in Jersey and Loodon the high court ruled last year that the payment was unlawful, and ordered Mr Ward to repay the money. Mr Ward is appealing against this order.

His case is due to be heard in open court. While Guinness will oppose it, Mr Saunders is not involved in the appeal and will oot be legally represented

Three days have been set aside to hear the case, which will focus on points of law. Mr Ward is also involved in

settlement negotiations with Guinness, which are being conducted via lawyers in the United States. These include the £5.2 million action as well as other legal actions in the The US actions concern Mr

Ward's ownership of a flat in Washington's Watergate complex, documents held by Mr Ward's law practice and un-paid fees allegedly owed to the



Ordered to repay: Thomas Ward, former Guianess director

to loss of £1.45m

By Colin Campbell

Kalon Group, the paint manufacturer, landed up in the red in the financial year ended December, plunging from a 1986 pretax profit of £4.92 million into a 1987 loss of £1.45 million — even though turnover advanced from £81

million to £86.9 million.

Kalon had earlier signalled there would be a loss for the year, and now confirms there will be no final dividend. It earlier passed the interim. Shareholders were last paid a dividend for the 1986 financial year, when they received a total of 1.38p a share.

By Colin Narbrough

The uniform business rate

which the Government is

introducing in two years time, to replace the wildly varying

rates charged on commercial

and industrial property, will

be about 38p in the pound -

the bottom end of the range Whitehall had anticipated.

This lower-than-expected

figure, calculated by Herring,

Son & Daw, a leading City

firm of property valoers, was

delivered yesterday to Mr

Nicholas Ridley, the Environ-

However, recent steps, inc-

luding reorganization and disposals, should lead to a stronger balance sheet, and oo the trading side the first quarter's results show strong sales growth.

"Despite the potential dis-ruptive effects of the reorganization, and subject to unforeseen circumstances, 1988 should see a marked improvement in the group's performance," the board says.

The group was hit in 1987

legislation on rates that has

been given a rough ride in

After the backbench revolt

in the Commons this week over the community charge or

"poll tax" that will displace

the present system of rates oo housing, the Government should welcome news that the

uniform business rate is likely

Its latest estimates had put

the business rate as high as

42p, somewhat lower than ear-

national average poundage is

her figures. The present

to be on the low side.

Kalon Group slips | Heath subsidiary wins US lawsuit

By Our City Staff

round io the lawsuit against its Pinnacle Reinsurance subsidiary io Bermuda.

A US district court in Louisiana dismissed the lawsuit brought by the joint liquidators of Mentor Insurance on the grounds that Bernuda, not Louisiana, was the appropriate forum for the the right to appeal against the decision.

The liquidators of Mentor, a by adverse trading conditions and by management changes. captive Bermuda insurance Heath's half-yearly results to company which went bank- September 30.

commitment to fiscal neutral-

until carly 1990.

uniform rate.

CE Heath, the Lloyd's insur-rupt in June 1985, are suing ance broker, has won the latest over three time-and-distance insurance policies which Mentor took out with Pinnacle.

Pionacle has always argued that the case should be heard io Bermuda. The liquidators opted for Louisiana because Mentor's owner, Ocean Drilling and Exploratioo Company, is domiciled there and because trehle damages, plus action. The liquidators have punitive damages, can be sought io US courts.

Pinnacle's profits fell to £3.4 million from £4 million in CE

Business rate of 38p in pound likely Poundage calculations as- Herriog Son & Daw, identisume that the Government fied the main factors behind take on husiness rates will the lower rate as the cootinued remain broadly unchanged at steep rise io property prices, which will form the basis of the current annual level £8.9 billioo in keeping with its rateable values, while ratecapping had lowered local

government spending. ity. The Government is not expected to set an actual rate While acknowledging the benefit the uniform rate would The effect of the lower poundage will be offset by the have in giving poorer regions a revaluation of the rateable value of commercial prop-erties, the first for 17 years, considerable cost advantage over wealthier areas, he said it could be argued it actually would do no more than rewhich will precede the new place Regional Development Mr Nick Owen, chairman of

ment Secretary, who is in charge of the controversial Bubb goes to Morgan Stanley

Just two days after the insurance team walked out at beleaguered Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers, the stockbroking firm has been dealt an even more damaging blow. Top retail analyst Nick Buhb. who led Scrimgeour's leg-endary retail research team and was himself voted the number ooe stores analyst by Institutional Investor in January, has resigned. Speaking yesterday afternoon from his new desk at rival American securities house Morgan Stanley, just hours after he had handed in his notice at Scrimgeour, Bubb, aged 33. told me: "I had been thicking about leaving for some time, but I promised not to rock the boat after Noel Hayes left. Lots of people have asked me why I'm going from ooe American house to another, but Morgao Stanley is the most Anglicized of them all and I like the team spirit there. it's very much like Kemp Gee was ut the old days." Scrimgeoor had, he said, somehow "lost that spirit". Bubb, who had been with the firm for eight years and became a partner, officially starts at Morgan io a month's time, and will be an executive

director. "I will be heading a

team covering the retail sec-tor," he says. "Morgan Stanley has covered food retailers

before, but never stores. This

is something new." His old Scrimgeour team — placed

firmly at the top of the retail

charts for at least a decade - is

not leaving with him. Not yet.



Accounting on youth

Newly qualified accountants favour of young high-flyers. have never had it so good. But before they get too cocky, according to a salary survey by the apwardly mobile should the recruitment consultancy beware of each other. The Accountancy Personal. They can currently command an annual salary of £17,000 in Central London, where demand outstrips supply. Older professionals, on the other hand, are apparently being ignored for senior positions in

survey predicts a "bulge" of high-flyers just below the top of the promotions pyramid, and concludes that anyone who has not made It by the watershed age of 33 probably never will. Harsh words, but probably true.

for 1,000 guilders (£290) each.

you have the capital sum

returned. To iocrease the

decided that Mrs Thatcher

should be shown Spearhead,

not occur in any item".

Going Dutch The City has taken a novel fund-raising idea by the Dutch Cancer Reasearch Institutute to its heart. The charity is offering for sale 275,000 10year zero coupon bonds at par



"On a clear day, you can see five takeover bids

Legal The sedate legal world has, I hear, been thrown into tur-

argument

moil by the recruiting tactics of Tarlo Lyons Randall Rose, a firm of solicitors based in Holborn, Loodon. Iostead of the usual job advertisements, placed in the Law Society's Gazette, Tarlo Lyons has written direct to more than a thousand young, qualified solicitors. Complaining that all law firms are now finding it increasingly difficult to recruit good solicitors because of "the increase io demand for legal services combined with the fact that the oumber of solicitors qualifying in recent years has remained virtually static", Tarlo Lyons partner David Ford, who wrote the letter. It means that it has the use of your money, interest free, for to years, at the end of which, invites the addressees to apply for assistant solicitor positioos in all its main departments company, conveyancing, scheme's attraction, the bonds litigation and tax. But io so will be put ioto a draw once a month, with one lucky bond holder winning a millioo guildoing he has apparently io-curred the wrath of a numberof rival City firms, which claim that Tarlo Lyoos is trying to "steal" staff by underhand methods. Ford has ders (£290,000). At the blueblooded broker Nivison Cantrade, five bonds were snapped up within hours of the offer being made yeshas oow prepared a written statement denying that it was "setting about a large-scale poaching operation". "We have hitherto enjoyed the most excellent relations with Not everything was fully prepared at the Department of Trade's Lancaster House launch of its campaign to get us ready for 1992. It was our professional colleagues," Ford says, and we had oo intection or desire to damage

their practices." the DTP's single market database, which is supposed to ● Another departure: Colin Mitchell, divisional director give details of all proposed EEC legislation. The operator typed: "Get textile". "Textile within Credit Soisse Buckmaster & Moore's corporate finance department, does not appear in any item", responded Spearhead. "Get profession". "Profession does has quit of his own accord.

Carol Leonard

COMMENT

Farmers does not want a shotgun marriage

anuary's polite courting by BAT Industries and an unwilliog American sweetheart, Farmers Group, is about to turn into an acrimonious battle. Io front of the American regulatory bodies and courts with all the attendent publicity, Farmers will fight with whatever ammunition it can muster.

Farmers' next round of attack will be on BAT's record, based on the guidelines of "competence, iotegrity, experience," with particular reference to Eagle Star America, sold by BATs within two years of purchase.

contribution from acquis-BATs can defeod itself by saying that Eagle Star America was already under Adverse currency move-ments knocked £500,000 off scrutiny by its own management well before BATs assumed ownership and profits, but Laporte was cushthat BATs in any case injected \$100 millioo (£53 millioo) into Eagle Star ioned against the worst effects of the weak dollar because it buys dollar-priced raw materi-als for its British manufac-America to make sure it was a viable turing operations.

BATs had always known that it would loterox, the hydrogen per-oxide producer in which Latake time and energy to wio over Farmers, if only because of the innumerporte has a 50 per cent stake, cootributed £33.4 millioo to able statutory and regulatory hurdles it would have to cross to safisfy fully pretax profits, a rise of 9.5 per ceot. Worldwide demand for America's legal criteria. hydrogen peroxide remained

And BATs would not deny that Farmers has been right to be legally alert and active, as its shareholders and policyholders would expect it to be, in fending off an unwanted hid approach.

margins widened to 9.6 per cent from 6.9 per cent. Despite capital expenditure of £17 million and acquis-itions costing £33.2 million, Laporte finished the year with a small net cash position. It expects to spend less oo

capital projects this year, but will continue its acquisitions Mr Ken Minton, the chief executive, said all the separate

Mersey Docks rises to £3.7m

business areas achieved good

growth and the trend had

cootinued

Pretax profits at the revital-ized Mersey Docks & Harbour Company rose from £2 mil-tion to £3.7 million in the year to December 31, on turnover up from £51.3 m, to £53.9 m.

However, two of the factors responsible for the company's soaring share price last year – a £300 millioo Liverpool dockland development plan and a bid approach from Peel Holdings - have not yet born

But it is now three months on since the January 13 bid at \$60 a share, later raised oo March 3 lo a qualified tender offer at \$63 a share, and has said it would go higher in certain circumstances. But the frustratioo in having to cross so many legal and other minefields is beginoiog to

Both sides have been locked in almost daily court hearings since January, though the more significant dates in the bid timetable are the May 3 to May 6 State bearings in California, with judgement promised to be handed down on May 13, and Farmers' own shareholders' meeting on May 20, where a motioo for Farmers management to reconsider its attitude to BATs is put. BATs would undouhtedly charge that Farmers management is beiog obsticate in refus-ing even to agree reasonable ground rules for a chairman-to-chairman meeting to iron out their differences.

BATs must be feeling especially aggrieved that third parties —who may yet turn out to be potential bidders have been given information which it has been denied.

The wisdom and determination of BATS in wanting Farmers remains the same, and if Farmers had hoped to wear BATS down by delaying tactites, then it has read the situation wrong.

More gilt-edged optimism

edged market. The Budget fore-cast of a £3.1 billion public sector debt repayment implied a £4.3 billion borrowing requirement in the traditionally fickle last month of the year.

Il lurned out to be an encouraging £3.8 billion. But the average market forecast was probably around £3.5 billion. Capel-Cure Myers predicted £3 billion and Greenwell Montagu fa-voured £2.9 hillion, though there were smiles of satisfaction at Phillips &

Gilt-edged market-makers were booked as the losers in post-Big Bang competition. It has been tough (as the occasional withdrawal testifies), but turnover for the first three months of this year has been slightly higher than in 1987. Meanwhile, equity turnover, which put gilts into the shade last summer, fell away after the October

No more than five firms, a fifth of the market, probably accounting for two- away their business.

ptimism is running away with fifths of the business. Rather more firms some participants in the gilt-claim to be in this category. claim to be in this category.

BZW and Warburg Securities, which subsume the two old hig gilt-edged jobbers, appear to have an uncontested lead. Swiss-owned Phillips & Drew has now found a seat on the top table, while James Capel and Greenwell Montagu have made a respectable showing. But, among other formerly or potentially powerful contestants, market opinion suggests that Kleinwort Grieveson has fallen away.

Among American-owned firms, Security Pacific's Hoare Govett and Chase Manhattan (which bought Laurie Milbank and Simon & Coates) both seem to have lost ground. By contrast Citicorp, which bought principally into equity brokers, has built a surprisingly strong position.

Ironically, gilt-edged dealers are looking forward to the impending arrival of Japan's Nomura Securities. For once, rivals appear to believe Nomura's claim that its retail marketing strength might total, still dominate the gilt-edged expand demand rather than simply take

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WHO HAS THE MOST WEEKDAY FLIGHTS TO AMSTERDAM?

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20.15	22.15	21.00	21.00



THE MOST WEEKDAY FLIGHTS BETWEEN HEATHROW AND AMSTERDAM.

RITISH MIDLAND

Unit trusts hit by aftermath of crash

By Vivien Goldsmith Family Money Editor Business is still dismal for the unit trust industry in the wake of last October's crash and in continuing nervous markets around the world.

The industry was saved from totally dull trading conditions in the first quarter of the year by investors bed-andbreakfasting their investments - that is selling them and buying them back to crystalize a gain or loss during the tax

But there were many inves-tors who sold units and did not repurchase. Mr Roger Jennings, marketing director of M&G, the unit trust man-ager said: "There was rather a lot of bed and no breakfast."

In the quarter to the end of March £2.268 billion worth of units were sold, two thirds of the value of units sold in the same quarter last year. While £1.912 billion worth of units were cashed in, 16.9 per cent more than in the corresponding Quarter last year.

The net result was an inflow of £355.4 million, less than a third of the net result for the first quarter of last year.

The net result for March of £57.7 million was about a third down on the net result for February. More unit trusts were sold in March than February, but these were greatly outweighed by the number of investors cashing in their units.

10m hold unit trusts or shares in UK

By David Smith **Economics Correspondent** Ten million people in Britain own either shares or unit trusts, the Treasury said yesterday. This puts Britain second only to the US in the level

of share ownership. The information, contained in the Treasury's Economic Progress Report, elaborates on a survey of share ownership jointly carried out by the Treasury and the Stock Exchange. Nine million people, or 20.5 per cent of the adult population, directly own shares, three times the 1979 level.

£21m US buy for GrandMet

Grand Metropolitan has paid \$40 million (£21.2 million) for Vision Express, a chain of optical stores based in Louisville, Kentucky.

Call for checks on condition of ships

By Rodney Cowton Transport Correspondent Improved arrangements to ensure ships go to sea in a seaworthy condition were called for at a conference in

London on the future of the British merchant marine. The conference, organized by the British Maritime

League, was told yesterday that if the rate of decline of the British fleet — 38 per cent in terms of deadweight capacity between late 1983 and early 1987 — were allowed to go much further there would be great difficulty in rebuilding it at a later stage.

Several speakers said the fundamental problem re-mained the large surplus of world shipping capacity. Cdr Michael Ranken, director of the League, said the reduction in the oversupply of ships throughout the world was the most important requirement in achieving a balance between supply and demand.

He and Mr Douglas Foy, secretary of the London Mari-time Association, emphasized the contribution that could be made to solving the problem if sub-standard ships were withdrawn from service. Mr Foy said the elimination of unseaworthy ships would wipe out a good proportion of the surplus shipping.

But a number of speakers said this would depend on the provision of more surveyors

higher, because of active bar-

gain-hunting, with bullishness prevailing despite a flounder-ing Wall Street and dollar,

The Nikkei index climbed

207.09 points, or 0.78 per cent, to 26.864.09, after falling

14.45 points on Tuesday.

Rises led falls two to one in

volume of 1 billion shares,

share market closed sharply

lower in response to yes-

terday's larger than expected

current account deficit for

They said news that the

deficit had increased to

Aus\$1.18 billion (£467 mil-

March, brokers said.

brokers said.

WORLD MARKETS: TOKYO

Nikkei up 207 points

after bargain-hunting

SYDNEY

All-Ordinaries slides

lion) from Aus\$802 million in The All-Industrials fell 35.5

February saw stocks pushed points to 2284.0.

(Reuter) - The Australian down across the boards.

(Reuter) - Share prices closed against 600 million.

St Ives rises 14% to £8.5m despite costs of Burrups job cuts

By Martin Waller St Ives Group, the magazine and book printer, increased

pretax profits by 14 per cent to £8.5 million in the six months to the end of January, after heavy redundancy costs at its recent Burrups, acquisition.

Mr Robert Gavron, the chairman, said the half-year figures contained no contributions from asset sales at Burrups, which would be in-cluded in the full-year report, These would very largely offset the total costs of reorgani-

Burrups would probably provide the main engine for expansion, Mr Gavron added.

About 130 jobs out of a total of 900 were lostwhen Burrups was bought in October, and another 30 to 50 redundancies are still to be effected.

Costs of job losses for the half-year came to £1.56 million. When St Ives took over,. Burrups was inefficient and seriously overmanned, relying heavily on work from the boom in City mergers and acquisitions last year, said Mr Gavron.

When this work dried up after the October crash the opportunity was taken to carry out a complete reorganization.

Pharmaceutical, commun-

ications, non-life insurance.

securities house, rubber, food, railway/bus, steel, gla-

ss/cement, retail, car and

some manufacturing issues

Credit/lease, mining, oil,

Further falls on Wall Street

overnight and lower gold bul-

lion and crude oil prices

At the close of floor trading.

the All-Ordinaries index was

22.0 points down at 1430.4.

helped fuel the decline.

property and land transporta-

led the advance.

tion shares declined.



The St Ives magazine print-ing division had been badly fall St Ives shares suffered in hit by a fire which destroyed one of its two main plants in-June. A replacement factory came on stream in January, and since then contracts to print 20 new titles had been won, 11 of them weeklies. Further acquisitions have

FRANKFURT

Prices hit

by dollar

worries

(Reuter) - Share prices slipped back in dull trading,

ending near the day's worst

levels. Dealers said un-

certainty about world interest

rates and worries about the

dollar had kept investors on

Deutsche Bank closed at

DM418 (£132), DM3.70 below Tuesday's finish. Siemens, the electrical group, slipped DM4.20, to DM349.50.

Porsche, the car-maker, also

dropped sharply, losing DM22 to end at DM530. The com-

pany said yesterday that it would cut its workforce by nearly 12 per cent over the

next 15 months. VW shed

Chemicals eased, with Bayer shedding DM1.60, to DM270.50. BASF fell

DM5, to DM241.

DM2.80 to DM245.20.

the sidelines

the crash and are likely to be small and for cash. The group had £8 million in the bank at the end of the six-month period.

The half-time dividend is increased to 0.75p, from

Barham helps IBC advance to £5.32m

S&F tops merger

forecast by £1m

Singer & Friedlander Group, achieved in spite of underwritone of the City's smallest ing losses sustained during the

De Savary in £13.5m

property acquisition

Mr Peter de Savary, the leisure facilities and provide

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

merchant banks, yesterday re-

ported pretax profits for 1987

of £13 million, £1 million higher than it had forecast, last

September, when it merged with Gilbert House, the prop-

During the nine months

since the reverse takeover of

Friedlander earned profits of

£7.1 million but these were

not comparable with the prop-

erty company's results in

1986. On a proforma basis, Singer & Friedlander's annua-

lized earnings per share for

The result, up from £12 million the previous year, was

businessman, has bought a

derelict river-side site in Bris-

tol for development for £13.5

The multi-millionaire, who already owns Lands End, Lit-

tlecote House, the Wiltshire

stately home and a string of

clubs around the world, is one of a number of developers in

the competition for space in

His latest purchase is a 60-acre site at St Anne's board

mill, a mile from the Temple

He plans to build houses,

Meads Station in the city.

Bristol.

last year came to 4.8p.

Gilbert House, Singer

erty company.

stock market crash and bene-

fited from a strong fourth

quarter. The company is also

due to receive £54 million m

cash when its sale of Centrovincial Estates, the

property company, is com-pleted next week. Centro-

vincial was the main subsid-

About half of Singer's prof-

its come from ordinary bank

lending to medium sized busi-

nesses. The rest is derived

from corporate finance, inves-

tment management and inter-

Singer is paying a 0.75p a

national debt swap activities.

share dividend for the period

ending on December 31 1987.

factory space through his LandLeisure group.

Mr de Savary took over the site from the Yorkshire-based

Although Mountleigh has not disclosed what it paid for the site last year it is believed

to have made a profit of about

the largest business centre outside London and Bristol

Avon Phoenix - the indepen-

dent group set up to shape the

city's future - is delighted that

Mr de Savary is moving in.

Bristol is rapidly becoming

£6.5 million on the sale.

Mountleigh Group.

iary of Gilbert House.

By Martin Waller International Business Com-munications, the business information company, saw pretax profits expand to £5.32 million last year from £1.86 million in 1986, helped by last autumn's acquisition of Baxham Group, the owner of the Fleet Street Newsletter.

A final dividend increased to 2.5p makes a total of 3.55p, up from 3p in 1986.

Barham chipped in £1.9 million at the pretax level, said Mr Michael Bell, the chief executive, before interest costs from the acquisition of about £300,000. It also contributed £6.6 million in the last three menths to turnover, which almost doubled to £29.03 mil-

The break-neck expansion the group had seen over the past couple of years would continue. "There's no reason to think that the organic growth rate will slow, and we're likely to continue to make acquisitions," Mr Bell

But further purchases would probably be for cash and would be limited by finances the company is still saddled with some debt after the Barham acquisition, which cost almost £100 million in cash and shares. The marketing, advertising and design sides of the new acquisition could eventually be sold, possibly by management buyout.

NEW YORK

Dow slips 5 points in early dealings

(Reuter) - Shares generally price index for March. slipped in early trading yes-terday with blue chips also falling after a modest, opening advance. Brokers reported that shares were under pressure from a weaker dollar and easier bond prices which were mildly depressed about a 0.5

The Dow Jones industrial average was 5 points lower at 1.994.50 after moving as high as 2,005.

Lucky Stores rose by % to On Tuesday, the Dow average closed 8.62 lower at 1,999.50.

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Consol SG **CANADIAN PRICES**

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A Goldberg & Sons: Mr Mark Goldberg has been ap-pointed chief executive, Mr Michael Marks group managing director and Mr Kenneth Graham a non-executive director from May 1. The following have been appointed directors of a new operational board, responsible for the group's retail and services operations: Mr Norrie Stewart, Mr Sandy Alexander, Mr Graham Scott, Mr Jack Stein, Miss Diane Sheret, Mr Jim McConnell and Mr Gas MacMillan.

BASE LENDING RATES

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Earnings per share 33.3p UP 44%

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Over the past eight years only five UK-quoted chemical companies have achieved unbroken growth in pre-tax profits.

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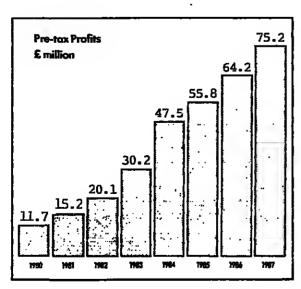
unbroken growth in pre-tax profits and earnings per share.

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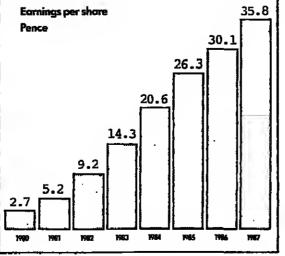


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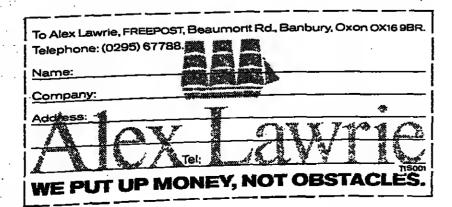
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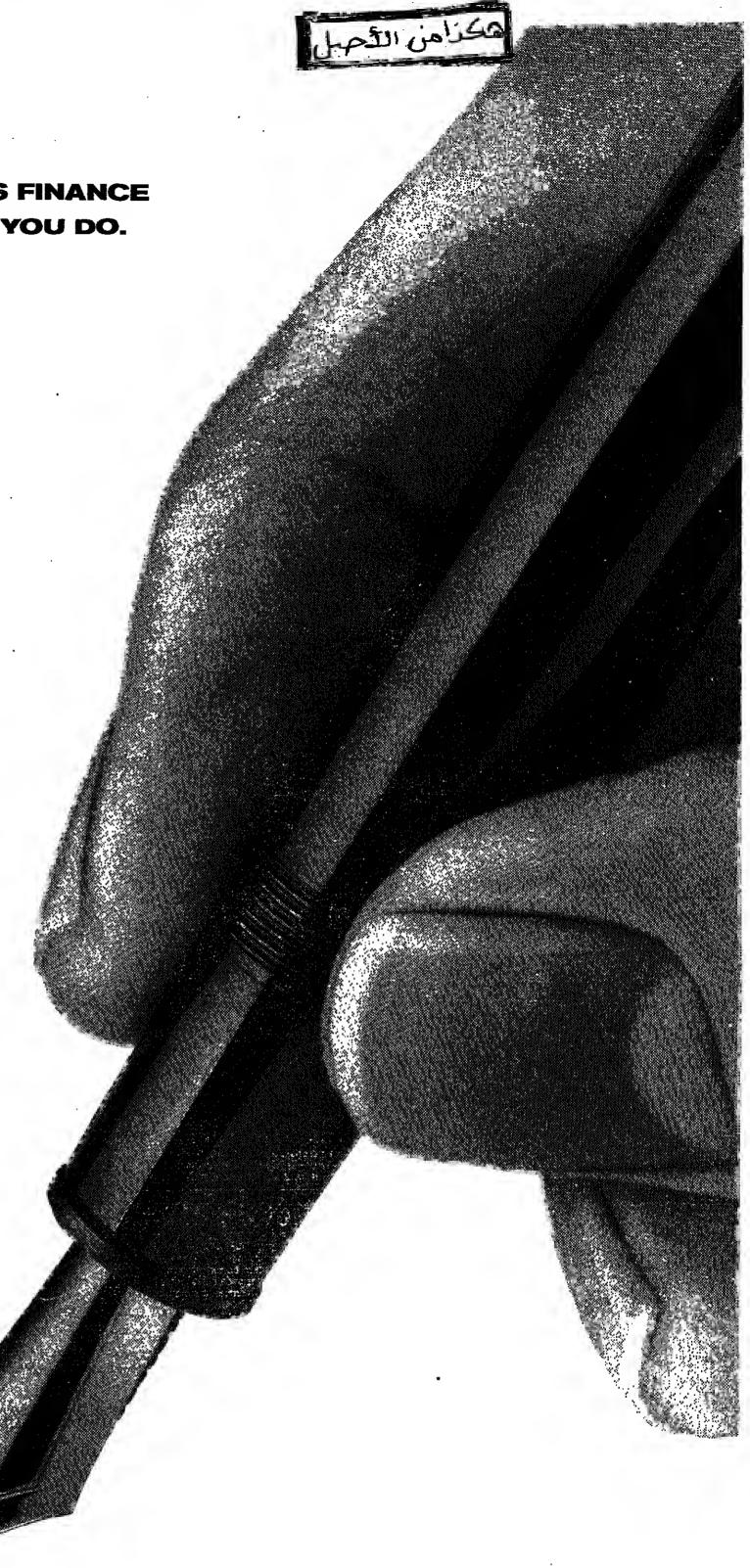
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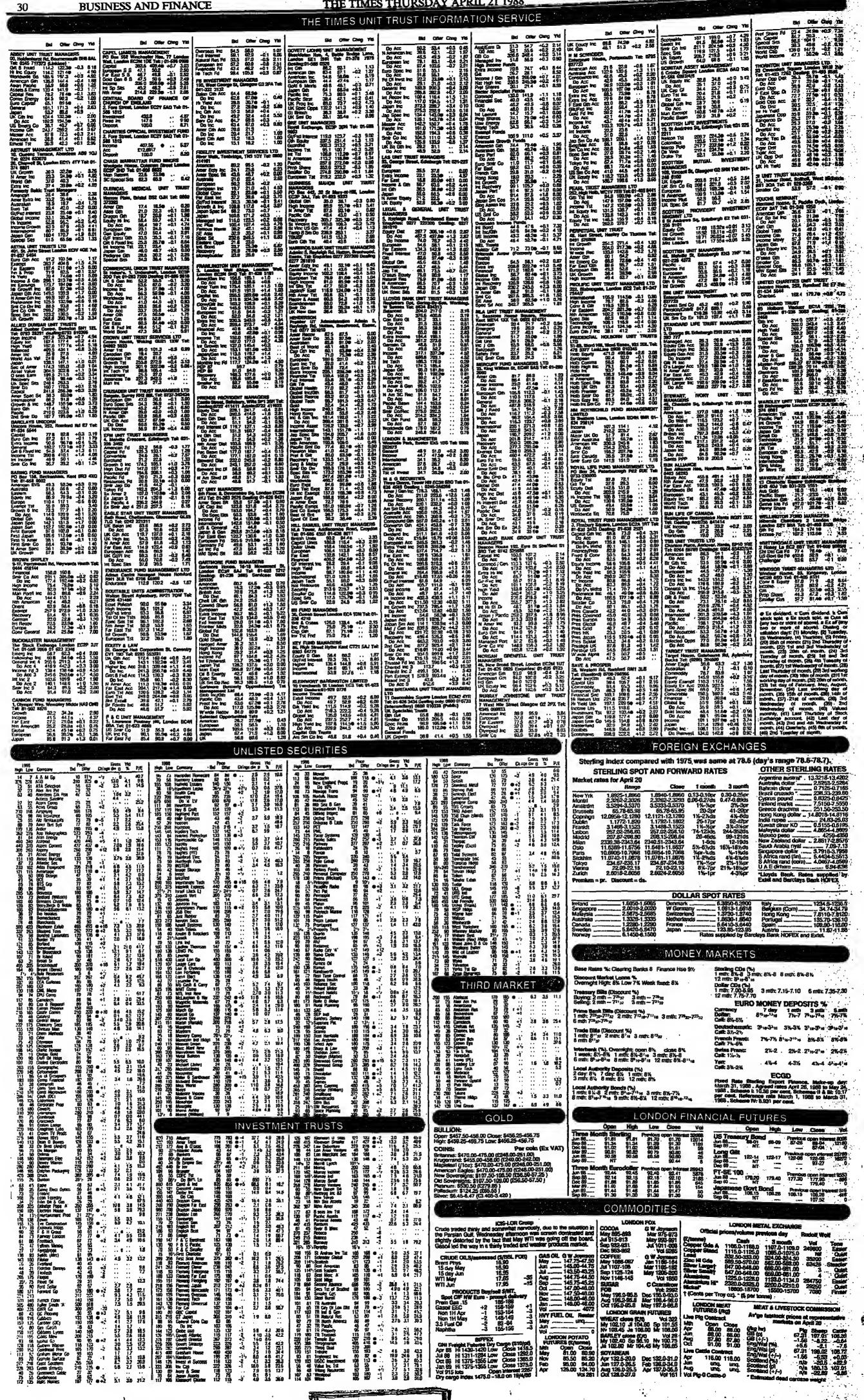
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Above: Technophone of Camberley Surrey, which makes one of the world's smallest cellular radio telephones, won awards for both exports and technological achievement Below: directors Dr John Webb, left, Robin Shannon and Raymond Alexander of the Cotswold Pig Development Co.



Today, the winners of the Queen's Awards for Export and Technological

Achievement 1988 are announced.

They are the most prestigious awards in British industry, writes David Young

flag that denotes a high degree of excellence in British exports or technological achievement now flies with pride from the flagpole outside one of Britain's most determined companies.

It is a measure of the importance of the Queeo's Awards to winning com-panies, their staff and customers that the company had entered 16 times before being successful.

The name of the company will never be made public because of the policy of the Queen's Award office oever to discuss who has been rejected.

This year 145 awards have beeo made from the 985 companies who applied - t02 for exports and 43 for technological achievement.

A record 12 companies this year woo their awards for both exports and technology.

The awards have always been a major source of encouragement for smaller companies and this year is no exception. In the export section, 31 of the winning companies employ fewer than 50 people. In the technology sector, some compaoies employ only seven people or uoder.

Although the Queeo's Awards have been io existeoce for more than 20 years, they are still highly coveted by companies as diverse as a big aircraft company making powerful, high technology aero engines and a small firm making tiny pottery cottages which sell by the million in souvenir shops.

Among the strict criteria for winning an award, are that export figures submitted have to be verified by an indepen-dent auditor, companies must show a substantial and sustained growth record over a three-year period, and that the export earnings be outstanding for the products or services

Companies are also expected to show how they improved their export perfor-mance, either by such factors as improved marketing intelligence or oew sales methods.

The awards committee also

The judges

This year's judges were: Sir Robert Butler, the head of Home Civil Service; John Bolton, an independent member; Sir David Nickson, president of the Confederation of British Industry; Sir Brian Hayes, permanent secretary at the Department of Trade and Industry;

Sir James Cleminson, chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board; Jack Jones, representing the Trades Union Congress; The Earl of Limerick, chairman of the British Invisible

Export Council; John Raisman, an independent member, and Sir Francis Tombs, chairman of the Engineering Council.

takes into account the ex penses involved in improving exports and income.

The high technology companies have again been major wincers. The production of a woven material which can be inserted by surgeoos in wounds to aid the healing process has woo an export award for the Vascutek Di-vision of Coates Vivella Medical io Scotland.

The high-tech, haod-held phooe, beloved by the oew breed of city workers, has won both an export and a technology award for Technophooe of

The City itself has woo a

batch of awards for export with Baring Securities win-ning one for its stockbroking exports; Donner Underwriting Agencies for their Lloyds underwriting; The Lafferty Group for information and

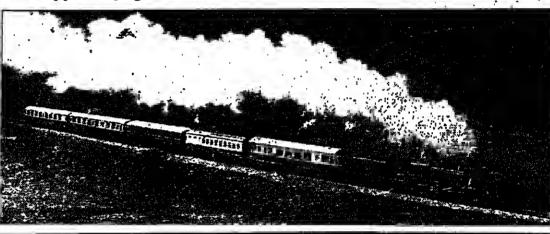
The awards last for a fiveyear period and winners can apply for a new award each year if a further separate achievement is made. The presentations are made locally by county Lord Lieutenants at the winning company's premises so that as many of the staff as possible can attend.

However, for many com-panies the highlight of the presentatioo system is when the Queeo hosts a reception at Buckingham Palace. Each winning company is allowed three representatives at the reception and some ballot staff to choose who will represent the company.

One company, Fastnet Fish (Exports) of Grimsby, which sends frozen prawns and scallops all over the world, will oot have to conduct such a ballot - it has only three employees, so they'll all be at the Palace.

> The full list of awards starts on the opposite page





managing director of the Civil Aircraft Division of British Aerospace, with a model of the export-winning BAe 146. Left: The Royal Scotso moving botel, complete with restored coaches, owned by the Great Scottish and Western-

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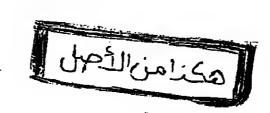
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* Mubarako = Congratulations in Hindi.





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Denaby, Doncaster, S Yorks: producer of refractories.

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of power generation, mining and materials handling

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Essex: manufacturer of mailing machines and other

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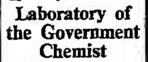
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Hertford: maker of diagnostics medical electronics.

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Sco-Fro Foods, Glasgow: processor of seafood, soft fruit and vegetables.

Seabourne Express, Barking, Essex: international hauliers.

Seawheel, Ipswich, Suffolk: provides unit load and container transport.

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Pressing & Assembly Div, Stadco, Shrewsbury, Shropshire: producer of vehicle body panels and subassemblies.

Technophone, Camberley, Surrey: manufacturer of portable cellular radio telephones.

Tiphook Group, Bromley, Kent: international transport container rental.

Triplex Alrereft & Special Products, Kings Norton, Birmingham: design and manufacture of windscreens

Varian-TEM, Crawley, W Sussex manufacturer of radiotherapy simulators.

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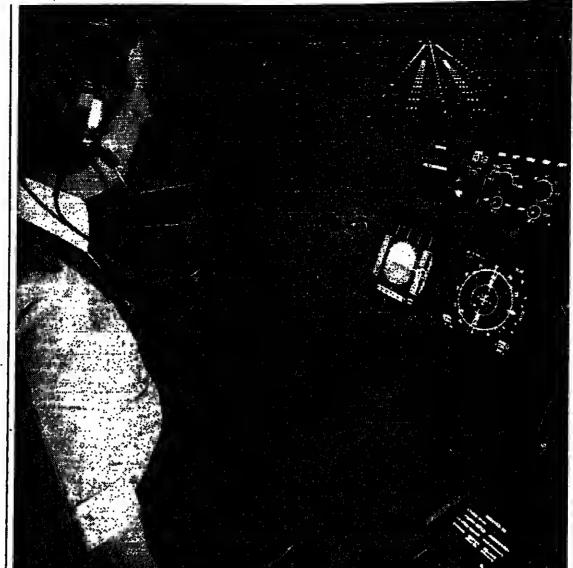
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Wilson Jones & Co, Basford, Nottingham: exporter of women's nightware.



Simulator sales soar

Last year, Rediffusion earned almost £75 million in exports of advanced technology flight simulators. When completed, the £8 million simulator, pictured left, for the new Airbus A320 will be installed at Ansett Airline's flight training centre in Melbourne, Australia.

More than three-quarters of the company's production is exported and orders stand at a record £200 million. Since 1966, Rediffusion has won five Queen's Awards, for both export

and technological achievement.

Rediffusion Simulation is Europe's largest manufacturer of simulator products, employing 2,000 people in Britain and 500 at its subsidiary in Arlington, Texas.

Another form of simulator, used in tadiotherapy for cancer patients, has this year led to a double Queen's Award for Varian-TEM of Crawley, Sussex. The Varian machine allows a patient to be moved on a motorized couch through any combination of angles so that radiotherapy can be precisely administered and the software which controls the system can exactly reproduce all the characteristics of all existing radiotherapy equipment.

With the market in the UK limited to the 65 centres where such treatment is carried out, the export market had to be cracked. Varian-IEM has sold its £250,000 machines in America. West Germany, the Irish Republic, Italy and

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Fashion at the fast end

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The success of Lilliput Lane, the Cumbrian company, which has won a Queen's Award for Export is staggering. In six years it has risen from a seven-man operation in a converted stable block to one employing 520 people at three sites and with salesmen throughout the world.

The range of tiny, decorative cottages and castles made from Amphorite, a rock-based plaster, and priced from under £10 to nearly £200, are collected avidly throughout the world with 10,000 people taking the company's quarterly magazine.

The company — run by William Dodd and David Tate, pictured left — isn't exactly sure why people buy its products — is it because they don't have a dream cottage and a Lilliput Lane model is the closest they will ever get to owning one? — and is now undertaking market research to find the answer.

However, the products have generated great interest in the United States and Germany, where a special range of German architecture is selling well, and a new castle based on a Bavarian Schloss is set to become a big export earner.

The success has meant that

job opportunities have been created in what was an employment blackspot with workers being trained to handpaint the detailed contages, which are produced after extensive research to make sure that they reflect the architectural style of an area. An equal success with a



Queen's Award for Export has been achieved by another manufacturer of miniature cottages, John Hine of Bordon, Hampshire. The US giftware trade is the most

important overseas market for this fast expanding company's range of hand-made, handpainted items which also includes an animal jazz band

swards for both exports and technology with equipment, pictured above, which could at present be burrowing under your feet—system developed for the internal inspection of gas pipes enabling work to be done without costly excavation and disruption of the gas flow.

The equipment was developed at the British Gas On-line Inspection Centre at Cramlington, Northumberland.

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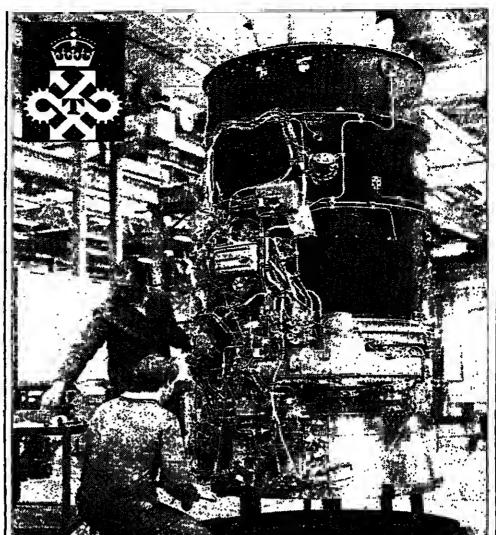
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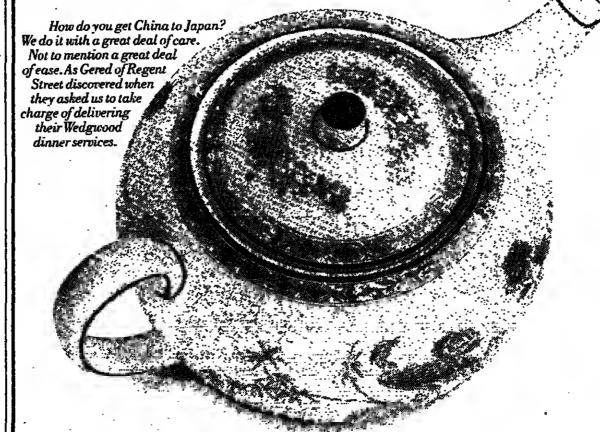


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Tony Martin, of Alfred Marks, describes the changing face of his work in finding highly trained people for business

he time is 3am, the location central London. While the rest of the city sleeps, a team of workers is answering customer complaint letters for a national retail chain. Yet the night workers have no connection with the retail organization. They are part of the bureau services division of a recruitment consultancy.

Those of us who have ever written to complain to a retail organization about poor service or product quality often have a vision of a top executive lambasting an employee as a result. While that vision may be good for our self-esteem, it is unfortunately not realistic.

Answering customers' complaints is just one of an increasing variety of tasks that large companies are contracting out in the interests of paring down their own full-time payrolls to a "core" of essential staff.

It need not conflict with the service ethic; in the case of complaint letters, the statistics on complaints answered are fed back by the subcontractor to the client, who is then in a position to rectify identified problem areas. And if problem areas can be identified quickly and cost-effectively, large businesses can compete more efficiently in mass markets.

The efficient use of personnel is a consideration that has spawned a boom in the services offered by the human resources sector, and which has been given greater impetus by the development of new technology.

One fundamental example is training. Recruitment consultancies, particularly those providing office staff, would soon be out of business if the staff they supplied to their clients were not adequately trained in new technology.

The office systems training facilities that they set up to meet this need also provide training on a contract basis for the existing staff of both large companies that prefer to use external training and companies not of a size to have such resources of their own.

The momentum generated by the rapid pace of technological development has resulted in such a wide range of systems and software packages at some recruit-ment consultancy training centres that they now have a pool of in-house expertise that is being put to work in other areas as well.

The net result is that it is now possible to provide consultancy on systems installation and software packages, and consultancy on ergonomics. Managers of ex-ternal companies considering installing personal computers or choosing software can come to the office systems centres and gain hand-on experience of almost every type there is.

The recruiters can now supply their clients with experts

In at least one case, equipment, manufacturers themselves now use this expertise to seek independent opinions of their products on neutral territory, and seminars are held for manufacturers through-out Europe to enable them to review their equipment in relation to the changing needs of the

The bureau services, training, data conversion and office systems consultancy services that have grown from the boom in new technology are a far cry from the days when a recruitment agency simply filled the need for new staff. But the expansion of services that is becoming such a significant feature of the industry goes be-yond new technology; it is begin-

ning to encompass human resource management as a whole.

The management skills needed to run a complex network of subcontracted services, and the experience of personnel issues gained from talking to thousands of personnel managers a year, are now being put at the disposal of organizational clients.

The growing demand by companies for external human resource management is leading to the development of complete personnel-planning portfolios ran-ging from forecasting likely needs for staff, through recruiting and training the various kinds of workers wanted, to motivating and monitoring them when they are in post. Organizations that are

poised for large-scale expansion or have intermittent needs for the more sophisticated techniques of human resource management are particularly likely to benefit from such consultancy.

ut there is a further kind of skill developed by the recruitment sector that. is becoming even more important as the structure of working patterns changes. It is expertise, not only in "personnel" management of a workforce as a whole, but in "personal" management of particular workers

One of its effects is to enable people to use temporary work as a career-development process. A ju-

nior secretary, for instance, who wants to rise to the top of the secretarial tree, can go to a recruitment consultancy for help in achieving that aim through a planned "programme" of tem-porary assignments.

The consultancy will identify what additional experience is needed and provide it by means of a succession of suitable assignments rising in seniority and punctuated by the appropriate

The acceptance of responsibility for the individual's development and upward progression repre-sents a radical departure from answering the short-term needs that were a feature of the past. Personal management on those

lines looks likely to be in increasing demand as employers reduce their full-time payrolls to the core of managers and others directly needed to produce and sell their products. Since this is likely to transcend the secretarial sector where it is now rooted, more and more specialists in other disciplines such as personnel and computing will be turning to temporary employment.

If they are to obtain an adequate supply of assignments, they will need more than highly developed expertise in one particular field. They will need to have additional abilities and resources that the typical specialist worker rarely possesses - the marketing, finan-cial and other managerial skills to keep themselves in business, and the facilities and time to keep abreast of advances in their pro-fessional field.

Fortunately, however, those abilities and resources will bereadily available to those on the payrolis of the recruitment sector. Before long many more pro-fessionals will be following the trail blazed by their secretarial and clerical counterparts in search of the personal management the sector has learned to provide.

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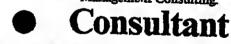
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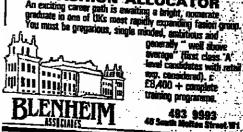
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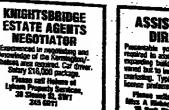
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survive and transmit their knowledge in the process. Godfrey Golzen

reports on new measures to help counter this

he publication of the Handy report, The Making of Managers, last April bighlighted the wide margio by which Britain was falling behind competitors in producing properly-trained managers. Its message has spurred a proliferation of courses for Masters of Business Administration, but the output will still fall far istration, but the output will still fall far

Roger McCormick, director-general of the Association of MBAs, says that only 12,300 of the 90,000 people who enter management roles each year have any form of business education. Furthermore, relatively few of those who become an MBA enter industry, preferring management construction. ring management consultancy and finan-

Some question the practical value of what they regard as an academic course of study. British management culture,

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students' own organization so that what is studied is also relevant to the culture in which they find themselves.

To establish the content of such training, the BIM conducted a survey of branch chairmen about the competencies most in demand. This resulted in a list of some 28 topics, headed by a leadership, business planning, hudgeting and managing change.

The institute acknowledges the diffi-culties of applying absolute criteria among so may variables, so it has divided its new qualification, the Diploma in Management Practice, into Parts 1 and 2, each of six modules.

The first six form a mandatory foundation course and include managing people, communication, problem solving and interpreting financial data. In the second and looger part, students choose a further six from 12 options, such as negotiating, marketing and the manage-ment of change.

There is also a precondition to Part 1: students must first have taken a diploma in management studies, or some equivalent accredited and theory-based course.

The Practice Diploma does not involve passing exams; but rather represents a general assessment of competence in the various fields of study that are undertaken. But it is not an easy option, either for students or for the firms which agree to offer it.

For students, the diploma, ideally taken over two years, involves some 1,200 hours of work, the equivalent of seven full-time months. Study is envisaged as being mostly a spare or part-time activity, though it also involves regular two-day assessment sessions and simulation exercises.

The costs are quite high. The registra-tion fee for individuals is £800 for Part I and £1.200 for Part 2. This covers student packs, distance learning materials and the assessment procedures. However, the BIM expects that the majority of its students will be sponsored by their employers, for whom there is a corporate rate offeriog economies of scale.

For tutors, there is a week-long certification course which costs £500, but money may be the least of the commitments which employers are being asked to undertake. The recommended ratio of tutors to students is no more than 1:6 -equivalent to that between professionals and trainees in accountancy practices.

The BIM envisages that formal full-time tutoring will take only a day a month, but the real demands on the time of line managers may be much greater. "It isn't just a teaching role", says Mr Milborrow. "It's going to be a cootinu-ous process of guidance, mentoring and

Nevertheless, he does not believe it will be a distraction from the managers' line responsibilities. He says that tutoring will also be a learning process for them. "It will be making a valuable contribution to developing their own

skills in delegation, grooming successors and appraising performance." As for the argument that the benefits of management training often accrue to the next firm the trainee joins, having increased his or her value io the jobs market, be believes that employer-sponsorship of transferable qualifica-tions will before long come to be a benefit offered as a recruitment in-centive, like a transferable pension.

He cites the example of accountancy practices which offer training without agonizing over the fact that they may lose some of their trainees to competitors.

For students in medium-sized and small firms which feel that they cannot release executives for in-house tutoring, the BIM will also be conducting course

BIM courses held at regional centres

at its own regional centres. There will eventually be an opportunity for free-lance trainers with an appropriate management background, but as yet it is too early to assess the demand.

However, the response from member

firms to the pilot programmes that are now running has been enthusiastic. More than 1,000 executives have expressed an interest in becoming tutors for the oew diploma, starting in November. The ultimate object of the BIM's

initiative is that the diploma will be one of the qualifying strands for becoming a chartered manager. The value of trying to professionalize management with a string of letters is a somewhat debatable issue, but there can

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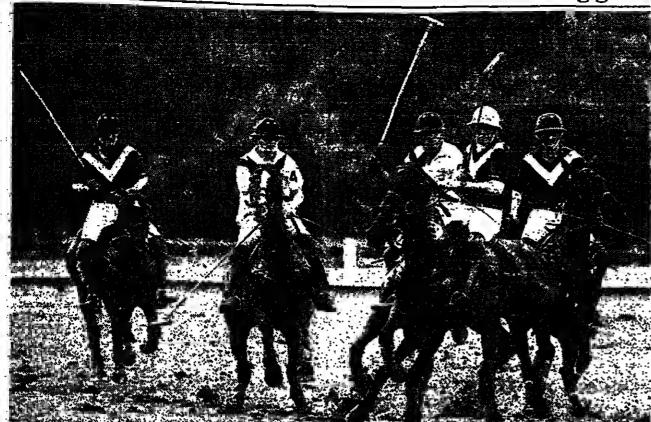
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Saddling up for a salute to the noblest man of a booming game



Thundering into the pages of a blockbuster: polo rides on a new high in the public imagination (Photograph: Chris Cole)

Polo's galloping strides

By John Watson

The increase in polo clubs in Britain during the past couple of years, from 20 to 24, and the rise in the number of players, from some 690 to over 760, are not the only signals that the game is booming in this coun-

More overseas poloists are clamouring for places in British clabs and more enthusiasts are applying for non-playing membership. While the nov-elist, Jilly Cooper, is researching the game for the back-ground to her next "blockbuster".

But Colonel Alec Harper, secretary of the Hurlingham Polo Association (the ruling body of the game), though very optimistic, adds a pertinent, if cynical, note to his appraisal of the tyro situation in the association's 1988 handbook.

"A lot of them are of very low handicap," he regrets, "and one wonders whether the motive is to play polo or to put a pair of boots on and a Lock hat in the back window of the

At the top level a British team (H Hipwood, A Kent, J Horswell and W Lucas) returned last week from their Australian bicentenary chall-enge at Sydney defeated -- but only by 11-10 in extra time. Their opponents, being on home going and richly mounted by Kerry Packer, had the edge in pony power.

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line up (probably based on the Hipwood brothers - now reduced in handicap from nine to eight - and Kent) will face a United States squad at Smith's Lawn, Windsor, oo July 24. On the same afternoon the Prince of Wales will put together a foursome to take on France (represented by the Macaire brothers, Lionel and Stefan, and Guillaume Tari, the fourth to be decided

in July). The cosmpolitan image of the game will be as colourful as ever. Four New Zealanders. one Australian, two Chileans, three Mexicans, one Canadian, three Brazilians, one Colombian and eight Americans will be among the foreign players taking part this summer in the British Open The next all-British team to championships (June 28 to

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Although Argentina has been represented in many other spheres of British sport since the Falklands conflict to 1982, its nationals are still debarred from our high and medimn-goal championships. That is oot simply because Argentina continues to consider the conflict with Britain unresolved.

The position is complicated further by the fact that some members of the Guards Polo Cloh (the one with the strongest following) belong to regi-ments that suffered in the war and none worse than the Weish Gourds, of which Prince Charles, the figurehead of British polo, is colonel.

tentrany Swindon (2.0).

VALDOHALL-OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Hayes v Leytonstone-floori. First division south: Banstead v Chertsey

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: President's Cap: Final second leg (first leg score in brackets) Southport (3) v South Liverpool (2). Premier division: Gainsborough v Barrow. First division: Eastwood Harriey v Droylsden: Fleetwood v Accongton Stanley; Sutton v Affraton. BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bedworth v Witney.

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Presi-

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Argentinian talent.

He theo not only resumed play after the war and continned umpiring for long after he could no longer play, but he was the man who resurrected the game in Britain and got our first national team going again in the post-war years.

Arguably, he has been the most influential figure to the whole polo world during the past half-century. The big salute due to him is imminent. Perhaps it will be at the opening of the high-goal seasoe at Cowdray Park next

Other important dates on the calendar are the challenge for the Prince of Wales Trophy at the Royal Berkshire Clah between May 20 and 29; The national anger that the Queeo's Cup at Smith's would be aroused if he were to Lawn from May 28 to June 5.

> OTHER SPORT BOWLS: British Isles international senes (st Hardepool). SNOOKER: Embessy world professional championships (st Sheffield). SPEEDWAY: National League: Middles-brough v Berwick.

TENNES: Queen's Club tournament. SPORT ON TV

be seen on friendly terms with nationals from the "enemy territory" can be readily envis aged. But, from a purely sporting poiot of view, the top bracket of British polo could do with a fresh injection of

There is an important celebration coming up next mooth. Viscouot Cowdray, the doven of British polo, has just retired from the HPA committee after 40 years as chairman or vice-chairman. Having attained a four handicap during the 1930s and accompa-nied the British Westchester team to the United States as son-playing captain in 1939, he lost his arm with the BEF in 1940.

FENNER'S: Cambridge University v and division: Brackburn v Doncaster; SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE; First Warwicksture. Manefield v Rotherham. SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE; First Warwicksture.

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SPORTS LETTERS

Budd campaign has nothing to do with sport

correspondent takes pains to

that he was a member of the KGB and had liquidated several

people: or the Arabs, if one of

their athletes was accused of involvement in an air hijacking.

or the Chinese, if one of their athletes had been active in the massacres in Tibet; or the black countries, if one of their athletes

had been involved in putting

burning tyres around people's

necks.
I think we all know how far we

would get with any objections of that sort. Yet your corres-pondent suggests that Miss Budd should be banned because

she had the temerity to attend an athletics event in the country

where she has grown up. I would suggest that your correspondent

From Mr D. P. Marchessini Sir, 1 was much amused by David Miller's column (April 18) on the ubiquitous subject of Miss Zola Budd.

Your correspondent com-pares Miss Budd's presence in South Africa to attending a dinner in the house of the Kray brothers. If your correspondent was somewhat more informed about Africa, he would realize that he is likely to find people behaving like the Kray brothers much more frequently in other African countries than he would in South Africa in South Africa.

The significant point is that The significant point is that the campaign against South African athletes was commenced years ago for the declared purpose of eliminating apartheid in South African sport. The fact is that apartheid in sport in South Africa has lung since been eliminated, and black and white athletes have been competing freely together for years. Yet the campaign against them continues. The only conclusion that can be drawn is conclusion that can be drawn is that this campaign has nothing to do with sport, but only with politics.

The real issue, which your

Remarkable event

Yours sincerely.
D. P. MARCHESSINI.

15-17 King Street, SW t.

From Mr David Armstrong
Sir, As I cycled to work on
Friday, April 15. I noticed that,
overnight, an interrupted blue
line had been painted on the
roads to mark the course of the forthcoming London Marathon.

It occurred to me again what a remarkable event this has become. There can be very few other occasions when amateurs, gifted and disabled, dedicated and not-so-dedicated, may share their sport with an international field of world-class athletes.

Certainly, there are few other occasions when the roads between Plumstead and Tower Bridge are repaired. For the rest of the year, there are gaping chasms, bottomless canyons and treacherous ravines to be negotiated by cyclists but, miraculously, each spring these black boles disappear as the blue dotted lines materialize.

Thus do I pay my rates, happy in the knowledge that, once a year, athletes from all over the world can run in safety and comfort, whilst I may cherish a few short weeks of pothole-free cycling and await with im-

Penalty dominant From Mr Leslie Duckworth From Mr F. E. Mocrie

Sir, I fear that Mr Maxwell-Hyslop (April 14) shows that he is living in a dream world. The game never was as be describes

Those of us who have been involved with rugby football for some 60 years know well that throughout that time the greatest concern has been with the domination of the penalty goal and what to do about it.

The "play the ball with the foot" law, just as often as it brought quick possession, resulted in an untidy mass dribble (the techniques of which were taught to us forwards) which was great fun for those in it but deadly dull for everybody else. The game today, with all its failings, is a far better one than that we played in our time. My criticism of the modern game lies to its two great obsessions: first with the drop goal (which from a sci-piece situation 30 yards or so from the line cannot be prevented by the defence - and therein lies its inequity), and secondly with the pushover try and the passion for holding the ball in the back row at nearly every scrum which, legitimate From Mr Willem Dekkers tactics both, are ruining today's Sir, As I write, PSV Eindhoven

Southport, Lancashire.

'Means' includes mode of transport

Regina v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Exparte Caunhye and Others Before Lord Donaldson of Lymington, Master of the Rolls, Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Nicholls

The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by Lekram Caunhye, Abdool Yousouf Ally

Mr D. Humam for the appel-lants; Mr Roger Ter Haar for the

threat of prosecution had proved quite ineffective to protect the residents. tickets to Mauritius.

avoid, is whether we are going to allow other countries to dietate Amateur Athletic Board are indeed in a most unenviable to us the composition of our athletic teams. I wonder what position. They are faced with a responsibility which they can the reaction of the Russians would be if we objected to one of scarcely have contemplated when they stood for election to their athletes on the grounds

From Mr Andrew Gilchrist

However, if they feel that they must in conscience reject the dubious edict of the IAAF, there is a way in which they can diminish their personal responsibility. Let them notify the IAAF of

their stand on the matter and then immediately resign their positions on the British board. Thereafter they would come forward for re-election on the strength of what they have done. If they are re-elected, their consciences are clear. If not, there will still be plenty of time for their successors to make the necessary submissive gesture and so ensure the presence of British athletes at Seoul.

I write with a sense of foresight because of hindsight.

Westminster Central Hall, SW t. From Mr Graeine J. Allan

Sir, I have been watching the London Marathon, an event

which always gives me great pleasure, and which is enjoyed by millions of people. It is an

excellent advertisement for our

nation, and gives an opportu-

and benefit charity at the same

However, this year's mara

thon showed an incident which

disturbed me. One young man wore a T-shirt with the words "Back Alton, Support The Unborn Child". This slogan received prominent coverage by the BBC. I believe that such robities cleans ought to be

political slogans ought to be banned in future as contrary to

Whitley Bay, Tyne and Wear.

the spirit of the marathon. Yours faithfully.

GRAEME J. ALLAN,

19 Wellington Avenue,

t remain yours sincerely.

R. JOHN TUDOR.

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has stepped through the looking glass and joined Alice in Wonderland. Yours faithfully. ANDREW GILCHRIST. Arthur's Crag. Hazelbank. By Lanark.

patience the 1989 London Marathon. Long may it run! Yours faithfully, DAVID ARMSTRONG, 82b Riverdale Road, SE18.

From the Rev Dr R. John Tudor Sir, Now that the 1988 London Marathon is behind us, and with the uncertain availability of County Hall in 1989, may I take this opportunity to urge the organizers not to arrange the event on a Sunday morning in the centre of London.
This is no reflection on the nity for young and old, men and women, to display their talents

Marathon itself which provides so much fun and purpose for so many people. It is n genuine request to consider those who worship in the city centre churches and the churches en route. Often freedom of access and normal public transport facilities have to be withdraw or altered at some considerable inconvencience. In addition the dreadful overcrowding of parked vehicles presents numerous hazards. On Sunday vehicles were parked across the pavement up to the doors of Central Hall creating a serious risk should there have been the necessity to call the fire brigade or ambulance service.

Tighter tackling

Sir, As a rugby league follower for almost 68 years, 1 agree with most of the points made by Mr D. S. Cooke (April 7) concerning Chris Oti.

However, I am not yet con-vinced that be would score "an abundance" of tries should he turn to rugby league. At Twick-enham his tries were scored against poor marking and woe-fully weak tackling by the Irish.

Making better use From Dr Don Anthony Sir, John Goodbody (April 7) thinks that the likely conclu-

sions to be drawn by the Minister for Sport, after his visit to East Germany, will be "the need for Britain to make far more efficient use of its financial resources".

I hope this means, among other things, that the football pools will be given over to a profits for the benefit of all sport

Awaiting the tide

are well placed to reach the about these aspects without delay.
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Str. As I write, FSV Eminance in the reach the European Cup final, and so are Ajax Amsterdam in the Cup Winners' Cup. The national team will compete in this year's European finals,

Against tight marking and devastating tackling as we saw in the two Halifax v Hull semifinals, would he have progressed five yards? Should he change codes he would ccertainly have the opportunity of scoring more tries, supported by good backs and fast running forwards who can handle the ball. Yours sincerely. F. E. MACVIE.

Fiddlers Green. Blackford Hill, Henley-in-Arden. Warwickshire.

(as in Italy): that John Smith will turn Liverpool Football Club into a truly "multisport" club (as with Real Madrid); that Wembley Stadium will become the property of British sport utilized fully for sport and phycical education right across the board - in terms of training performance, and administra-tion (as in Finland).

Or am 1 misunderstanding? Yours sincerely, DON ANTHONY.

Sidcup, Kent. According to Arthur Cox. Derby's manager (April 12). "Dutch football is at its lowest ebb for years". I wonder what

will happen when the tide comes

Yours, WILLEM DEKKERS, Korevaarstraat 8a. Leiden. The Netherlands.

Change ought to be for good

From Mr Gary Dickson Sir, The Football League's farcical centenary festival was merely the latest in a long line of decisions which have made a mockery of our national game.

t heard Ken Bates complain over the weekend that change is always decried by the tra-ditionalists. He referred to the difficulty in establishing the League (Milk, Littlewoods) Cup

some 20 years ago. Frankly, I believe the Lindewoods Cup, along with the Sherpa Van, Simod and the rest. should be melted down for scrap. Why should change, any change, be blindly accepted? What is desired is change for the good - making the game more entertaining stadiums more comfortable and having fewer matches.

The League championship and the FA Cup are good enough for me — what's the point in giving clubs more chance of getting to Wembley, that just devalues the occasion. Il you eat between meals, then your meals aren't as enjoyable: the snacks may be tasty, but they don't leave a deep feeling of well-being.

In this respect we could learn from American football. There. cach team plays 16 games a season, another two or three if it makes the play-offs and then the Super Bowl. That's a maximum of about 20 games and this leaves the public as hungry as wolves for the sport. The first division should gradually be cut to 16 teams, the the Italian version, to sharpen the fans' version, to sharpen the fans' appetite.

If the League bigwigs haven't the guts to make radical changes - changes which would restore the game to its former glory in my view - then they should quit. Ordinary fans are sick of seeing the game they love being pulled apart by short-sighted administrators who grasp every penny of sponsorship without onsidering the consequences. Yours faithfully GARY DICKSON.

t Nursery Avenue, Poristewart, Co. Derry,

Summer term

From Mr Anthony Swoinson Sir. Stephen Garvin's letter (April 14) decries the school summer term ending "early in June" with the consequent de-cline in cricketing prowess at public schools and university.

Not so under the State education system. The summer term does not end until the end of July, and the playing fields are used for organized games throughout the holidays.

It is the public schools, with a boarder population, who have empty playing fields in the late summer months. A erving shame, I agree, but I do not school and university cricket is due to these causes.

The Lord's Taverners pump nearly a quarter of a million pounds into schools and club ides with colts team each year to keep cricket alive and

kicking.
Yours faithfully.
ANTHONY SWAINSON
Director, Lord's Taverners.
I Chester St. SW1.

Separate boards From Mr Geoffrey Prake

Sir. Mr Brennan (April 141 scorns the idea of separate boards to administer Protestant rugby and Catholic rugby in Ireland, yet he neglects to mention the exclusivity of the Gaelie Athletic Association. which has operated on a basis of political and cultural separation. Yours faithfully. GEOFFREY PEAKE.

Stalybridge, Cheshire. Court of Appeal

Court of Appeal

Law Report April 21 1988

City of London Corporation v Bovis Construction Ltd Before Lord Justice O'Connor, Lord Justice Bingham and Lord Justice Taylor

[Judgment April 18]

Where a local authority sought an injunction to restrain a party's deliberate breaches of the terms of a notice served on it under section 60 of the Control of Pollution Act 1974 to control noise on a construction site, the exercise of the court's discretion exercise of the court's discretion to grant such an injunction, which was to be exercised only in exceptional cases and with great caution, required not evidence that the law had been deliberately and flagrantly flouted but a clear inference that the party's unlawful operations would continue unless and until

effectively restrained. The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments when it dismissed the appeal of Bovis Construction Ltd against the order of Mr Julian Jeffs, QC. order of Mr Julian Jens, Oc. sitting as a deputy judge in the Chancery Division on February 22, 1988, when he granted the local authority, the City of London Corporation, an inter-locatory injunction to restrain Bovis from carrying out various building works at Beaufort House, 29-55 Middlesex Street and 15 St Botolph's Street. London, at specific times and on specific days.

The injunction was varied to include the words "without reasonable excuse" to reflect the limits of the offence onder section 60(8) of the 1974 Act.

Mr Authony Machin, QC and Mr David Lamming for Bovis, Mr John Uff, QC and Mr Stephen Bickford-Smith for the local authority.

LORD JUSTICE O'CON-NOR said that Bovis were the construction managers for a substantial development close to Aldgate Station which was ubject to restrictions imposed subject to restrictions imposed by Loudon Transport, because of the sile's proximity to the Metropolitan Railway, and, following a report of May 1, 1987 to the local authority housing committee on the development's effects on ten-ants on a nearby estate, a notice

Evidence of future breach required

Contravention of the nonce without reasonable excuse was a criminal offence, and the offender was liable to a fine not exceeding £2,000 on summary conviction. Bovis had not exercised their right of appeal against the notice.

in July 1988. The local authority sought injunctive relief under section

222 of the Local Government Act 1972 to protect the interests of the local inhabitants from contraventions of the notice. The court's jurisdiction had been considered in Stoke-on-Trent Borough Council v B & Q (Retoil) Ltd ([1984] AC 754, 773, 775-777).

Bovis had committed an offence or offences, that the criminal law provided an adequate remedy and that the notice's terms had been deliberately and flagrantly flouted; Bovis had not been convicted of any offences and evidence showed they had always been anxious to compare with the notice.

local authority were amply justified in concluding that criminal proceedings under section 60(8) were a wholly inadequate remedy for securing compliance with the notice, oamely, preventing the occurrence of nuisance by noise affecting the

Six informations were served by the local authority on Bovis after contraventions of the no-tice in August and September 1987, and, after various delays and adjournments, 18 informations were now due to be heard

Relying on that case, Mr Machin submitted that an injunction could not be granted unless it was first established Bovis had committed an offence always been anxious to comply

His Lordship said that he argeed with and adopted the reasoning of the Court of Appeal reasoning of the Court of Appeal in Runnymede Borough Council v Ball (1986) 1 WLR 353, 363-364, 365-366) which had considered the phrase "deliberate and flagrant flouting of the law", and he agreed that that striking phrase was not part of the ratio of Lord Templeman's speech in the House of Lords in the Stoke-

on-Trent case (at pp375-377). There was no doubt that the

In the granting of relief, it was not necessary for the local authority to prove that the

alleged contraventions were criminal offences, although it was relevant to the form of the injunction granted. Clearly, as construction managers, Bovis were io full control of the site and had been properly served with the notice; it mattered not that the actual ried out by trade contractors, who, by the terms of their contracts, were bound to comply with Bovis's instructions.

The evidence of the effect of the repeated contraventions was enough to satisfy the "some-thing more than infringement" stipulated by Lord Templeman; it did not matter that Bovis protested their desire to comply

with the notice. . The present situation was entirely different from the Sunday trading and gipsy caravan cases in which the defendants had intended to continue break-ing the law. The facts in the instant case showed the court's need to help the residents.

It would be inexplicable to them and an unwarrantable. if it could not help them because it could not be shown that Bovis were deliberately and flagrantly flouting the law in the ordinary sense of that phrase. Work was not done on a building site on Saturday afternoons by ac-

If the work contravened the deliberate contravention, and the judge had been correct to hold that it was proper to grant injunctive relief. The categories of persons, under section 60(5) of the 1974

be served were not mutually exclusive, and the evidence was sufficient to justify the local authority's conclusion that Bovis carried out the works, the authority were not obliged to investigate the specific coouractual arrangements on site. LORD JUSTICE BING-HAM, agreeing, said that the guiding principles in which the

civil courts could and should

come to the aid of the criminal law by the grant of injunctive relief were:

1 That the jurisdiction was to be invoked and exercised excep-tionally and with great cartion: Gouriet v Union of Post Office Workers ([1978] AC 435).

2 There certainly had to be something more than mere infringement of the criminal law before the assistance of civil proceedings could be invoked and accorded for the protection and promotioo of the interests of the inhabitants of the area: Stoke-on-Trent Borough Coun-cil (pp767, 776); Wycharon District Council v Midland Events (Special Events) Ltd ((1987) 86 LGR 83, 87).

3 The essential foundation for the exercise of the court's dis-cretion to grant an injunction was not that the offender was deliberately and flagrantly flouting the law, but the need to draw the inference that bis unlawful operations would continue unless and until effectively restrained by the law, and that nothing sbort of an injunction would be effective to restrain him: Wychavon District Council

The conduct which the local authority sought to restrain was conduct which would have been actionable to the absence of any statute; even if the conduct was not criminal it would probably be unlawful. There was no reason for the-

pere was no reason for the court pedantically to insist on proof of deliberate and flagrant breaches of the criminal law when, as in the present case, there was clear evidence of persistent and serious conduct which might well amount to contravention of the criminal law and which might, at the present interfocutory stage, be present interlocutory stage, be regarded as showing a public Act, on whom the notice could and private nuisance. It was quite plain that the service of the notice and the

> Lord Justice Taylor delivered a concurring judgment. Solicitors: Masons; Mr D. W.

[Judgment April 19]

The "means" of a passenger, whose sole purpose was transit, connoted, for the purposes of paragraph 9 of the Statement of Changes of Immigration Rules (HC169), not just a ticket or the financial facilities to enable bim to obtain one, but also the transport available to take him to his destination.

Furthermore, in considering whether or not to grant such a passenger leave to enter the United Kingdom, an immigra-tion officer had to be satisfied not only that he had such means to cootinue his journey but that he intended to proceed to another country and was as-sured of entry there.

Boothawoonah, Assaad Loot-fun, Ahad Aliy Duymun, Rubenraw Gunnoo, Liscoomar Rubenraw Gunnoo, Liscoomar Seewsagur, Micbel Marc Amic, Jean Luc Patrice Robert, Dheeraj Mokhram and Jean Claude Ngan-Sing from the Divisional Court (Lord Justice May and Mr Justice Macpherson) (The Times May 19, 1987) who dismissed their applications for judicial review by way, inter dia, of certiorari to quash the decision of an immigration officer refusing them leave to enter the UK them leave to enter the UK when no such leave was sought.

The MASTER OF THE ROLLS said that the appellants had arrived at Heathrow from Mauritius intending to change planes and go on to Brussels for a short holiday. All had appro-priate, confirmed tickels for their onward flights, all had Benefux visas and all had return

While awaiting their flights in the transil lounge, which by section 11 of the immigration

Act 1971 was an area in which they were deemed not to have entered the UK, they were required by customs officers in of the Act. go to the customs area outside the area of the transit lounge

where they were all subjected to prolonged and intimate searches on suspicion of carrying prohib-ited drugs. When the examination revealed no trace of drugs, the appellants were interviewed by an immigration officer. It then became apparent that the rele-vant airlines would not carry them to Belgium since the Belgian authorities would oot

decide to admit them before interviewing them. In his Lordship's view the immigration officer's conduct so far could not be faulted. Under paragraph 2|1) of Sebedule 2 to the immigration Act 1971 she had been entitled to examine the appellants for the purpose of, inter alia, determining whether they should be given leave to enter the UK even though they had not applied for it.

Paragraph 9 of HC 169 pro-vided that detailed examination of a passenger whose sole pur-pose was transit to a country outside the common travel area outside the common travel area was unlikely to be required once he had satisfied the immigration officer that he had both the means and the intention of proceeding at once to another country and was assured of entry there. If the officer was not so satisfied leave to enter would be refused.

Paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 2 of the 1971 Act required that where a person was examined under paragraph 2 and was to be given limited leave to enter or was to be refused leave, notification of the descliping to the description of the descript tion of the decision was to be given within 12 hours of the conclusion of his examination. otherwise he was to be deemed to have been given indefinite leave to eoter. It followed that the immigra-

tion officer had 12 hours in which to give or refuse them leave to enter. If she did neither the appellants would acquire an irrevocable right to indefinite leave; and if she gave them leave, the immigration authorities would lose the right to have proceeding to another country them removed from the UK under Schedule 2, paragraph 8

Regarding paragraph 9 as decisive, she stated that she was not satisfied, having had the information from the airlines as to their means of transport, that they had the means or the intention of proceeding. Notices of refusal to enter were then endorsed on their passports.

Thereafter, the appellants in-structed a solicitor to apply for

judicial review and the im-migration authorities while offering to endorse the appel-lants' passports with 24 hours' leave to enter, refused to with-draw the notice of refusal from the passports. In considering whether the immigration officers were entitled as a matter of law to have refused leave to enter and endorsed the fact on the passendorsed the fact on the pass-ports, it was clear that they were authorized to examine the appellants under paragraph 2(1) although they had not sought leave to enter, and the plain effect of paragraph 6(1) was that

they were required to grant or refuse leave within 12 bours. In considering paragraph 9, the immigration officer had also been correct. Counsel for the appellants had submitted that "means" referred to financial means and that the appellants lacked neither the means nor the intention of proceeding.

Mr Ter Haar, however, was right in submitting that the word did not have so limited a meaning. It connoted in its context a ticket or the financial facilities to enable a traveller to buy a ticket and an aircraft available to fly him to his intended destination. That was not a complete answer, because an appropriate meaning bad to be given to the words "at once". His Lordship inclined to think that if an obstacle such as fog delayed passengers whom an immigration officer had interviewed he would not be required

to refuse them leave to enter. However, the true justification for the immigration officer's action lay in the words on which in terms she had not relied, namely "the intention of and is assured of entry there... The appellants were intent on proceeding to Belgium but they were most certainly not assured of entry there. The Divisional Coun's decision would accordingly be affirmed.

However, certain matters should be brought to the urgent attention of the Home Sec-retary. The 12-hour requirement in paragraph (11) could in the case of transit passengers not wishing to enter the UK work very much to their detriment by forcing immigration officers to make a decision which could otherwise be postponed for the benefit of all. It was for consideration whether the time limit should not be substantially longer where the person con-cerned had not sought to enter the UK.

With regard in paragraph 9. problems were created by the need to satisfy the immigration officer (i) that the passenger was able to proceed to his defination "at once" and (ii) that entry was assured; and by the lack of discretion as to the consequence of any failure so to satisfy the officer, namely the automatic refusal of leave to enter.

"At once" could be capable of some flexibility given the delay occasioned during some air travel, the phrase might perhaps be amended to "within a reasonable time" able time". Furthermore what was meani by "assured of entry"? The words were not "reasonable assurance of entry". Many trav-

ellers had visas, but every country reserved the right to refuse even the holder of a visa. Could it really be said that a visa-holder was assured of en-It was for consideration whether the consequences of a failure to satisfy the officer should be a refusal of leave to

whether limited leave to enter should be granted or whether it should be refused. Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Nicholls agreed.

enter, but a detailed examina-

tion and a determination

Solicitors: Zaman Choudhury & Co; Treasury Solicitor.

the colts' classics.

Guy Harwood said yesterday:

"I have not been happy with the way that Warning has been working the past two days, nor have I been happy with the way

my horses have been running this season. Therefore, Warning must be considered doubtful for the English 2,000." A further statement is expected after Warning has galloped at Pulberguak and Sunday.

Pulborough nn Sunday

Harwood has yet to saddle a

winner this season and the running of Hellhesten, who finished last of six behind

Unfuwain in the Warren Stakes at Epsom on Tuesday, must have been of grave concern to

West Indian pair enter the fray

Keith Arthurton, a consistent left-handed batsman from the Leeward Islands, and Ian Bishop, a young Trinidad fast bowler, are the newcomers chosen by the West Indies for the tour to England. Otherwise the 17-strong party, led by Viv Richards, is made up by experienced players, most nf them familiar faces to English crowds.

Arthurton, who was 23 in February, comes from the tiny island of Nevis, whose last Test representative was the left-arm spinner, Elquemedo Willett, in the early 1970s. Arthurton has made two impressive centuries against the Pakistanis in recent weeks after finishing second in the Red Stripe Cup batting averages during the domestic Arthurton will be the first lefthander in West Indies sides since Larry Gomes retired and he also bowls occasional leftarm spin. Though Arthurton is not expected to play, he has been asked to join the 13 players the West Indies have named for the third and final Test match starting here tomorrow. Bishop, who will not be 21

until October, is highly regarded by Richards and has a dangerous oul-swinger delivered with a smooth, high action. He took 19 wickets at 13.68 each in 96 nvers to top the Red Stripe averages this

Richards wanted to have six fast bowlers with him and one place was certain to go to Curtly Ambrose who has already played in the present TesI series against Pakistan. Clyde Walcott, the chairman

West Indies board to increase the tour party from 16 to 17, partly to fulfil the captain's request and also to give Bishop international experience. Bishop's selection means that Tony Gray and Winston Davis unexpectedly will be available for their counties, Surrey and Northamptonshire, this summer

Others in the side relatively unknown to English followers are Carl Hooper, a solid Guyanese batsman and the best of the younger West Indian school; Phil Simmons, the Trinidad opening batsman, who has had two years in the Bolton League; and David Williams, annther Trinidadian who is the reserve wicketkeeper. All of them went on the West Indies tour to India before Christmas.

Hooper is now the established

Tour party II is possible that the role of

t V A Richards (Leaward Islands, captain), C G Greenldge (Barbados), O L Haynes (Barbados), R A Richardson (Leaward Islands), A L Logie (Trinidad), C L Hooper (Guyana), W K M Benjemin (Leaward Islands), P J L Dujon (Jamaica), M O Marathali (Barbados), A P Patherson (Jamaica), E L C Ambrose (Leaward Islands), C A Walsh (Jamaica), K L T Arthurton (Leaward Islands), R A Happer (Guyana), P V Sizmons (Trinidad), 1) Williams (Trinidad), 1 R Bishop (Trinidad). Nn. 6 Test batsman; Simmons

is tall and a free striker of the new ball; Williams is only 5ft 3in and a neat, unobtrusive No vice-captain has been appointed so far. This is an

indication, perhaps, that the selectors were not entirely happy with either Greenidge, who led West Indies in the first Test against Pakistan when Richards was ill, or with Marshall, who incurred criticism for his leadership of

deputy to Richards will be shared among senior players as needed. A minor surprise is that Roger Harper, a former vice-captain, who could not keep his Test place, is in the side once again as an offspinning all-rounder. Hooper's presence these days, however, makes it unlikely that Harper will receive Test

For Friday's Test match the West Indies 13 comprises the team who played in the second Test which ended in Port of Spain on Tuesday, together with Arthurton and Patterson who has recovered from a knee injury.

Intikhab Alam, the Pakistan manager, said after the second Test ended that he had never seen a Test match which had

Imran Khan, the Pakistan captain, fell Javed Miandad's 102 in the second innings which kept Pakistan in the hunt, was one of the great innings of modern times.

WEST INDIES: First immige 174 (Imman Kham 4 for 38, Abdul Osdir 4 for 83, Second immines 591 (I V A Richards 123, P J L Dujon 106 not out; Imman Khan 5 for 115; Abdul Oadir 4 for 148). PAKISTAN: First innings 194 (Selim Malik 66; M O Marshell 4 for 55).

66; M O Marshell 4 to 55).
Second Innings
Mudassar Nazer c Dujon b Benjamin
Ramz Raja e Richards b Marshall
Shoaib Mohammad b Benjamin
Javed Minandel e Richards b Ambrose 1
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jaz Ahmad st Dujon b Benjamin
jaz Apoli not out
Extras (b 17, ib 17, nb 25, w 2)
Total 19 wids)

BOWLING: Marshall 30-4-85-2; Ambrose 30-7-62-1; Benjamin 32-9-73-3; Waish 29 8-52-1; Hooper 4-1-18-0; Richards 4-1-17-

Botham comes down to earth at Manchester

After the heady triumphs if the mountains, Ian Botham returns to the more down-to-earth surroundings if Old Trafford for Worcestershire's inpening Britannic Championship match against Lancashire today. Botham will play unless be

suffers some unexpected re-action to his Alpine trek, accord-ing to the captain, Phil Neale. Botham's only reaction, however, is likely to be in the words of Peter May, the chairman of selectors, who said earlier this week that the England allrounder would have to earn his Test place back. Lancashire, could regret be ever suggested such a thing. Worcestershire include Steve O'Shaughnessy, who joined the county from Lancashire, and the opening batsman, Gordan Lord, in their party of 12.

The news of two other Engnd bowlers was less good. After spending the winter recovering from his back injury, Richard Ellison, of Kent, is out of his side's first match with a knee injury and Neil Foster could miss the first month of the season with a similar problem.

Foster has been having regular treatment at the national rehabilitation centre at Lilleshali, but has not set a target for his return. "It is just a question of being patient and building up the strength in my right knee, but everything seems to be going well, although it is a slow process," he said.

Kent include their new overseas fast bowler, Hartley Alleyne, and the left-arm spinner. Richard Davis, in their side against Essex, who welcome back Allan Border after his sabbatical last summer. The Australian captain was at pains yesterday to put the record straight on his part in the Botham Queensland affair.

"There was no great blazing row between us," Border said. "But there was an argument between us concerning Greg Ritchie and unfortunately it look place in view of members of the public. But I still regard Both as a friend and I hope he feels the same way about me."

Another England hopeful, the Sussex all-rounder, Colin Wells, will have n last-minute fitness

Cambridge University

Five Cambridge University wickets fell without a run being added after lunch, taken at 5g for two, as Warwickshire seamer

Gordon Parsons reaped a nap hand in only 18 balls at Fenner's

After their patiently stubborn

first two hours, the students were all out in another 64

minutes, after the interval, for n paltry 7g runs. Parsons finished

with figures of 16-7-16-7. In reply. Warwickshire had lost

their captain, Lloyd for nine hut Moles and Asif Din took the total nn to 174 for nne

Turner, the noening batsman.

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the interval.

out off the second ball following

Parsons instrumental

in students' collapse

FENNER'S: Warwickshire, with in the first three nivers after nine first-innings wickets in lunch, when Parsons took three

nine first-innings wickets in lunch, when Parsons took three hand, are 96 runs ahead of wickets in 10 balls without a run

set. Wetls's fitness will be vital to Sussex, who include newcomers Andy Clarke, a leg-spinner recruited from cluh cricket, and the medium-pacer, Rodney Bunting, from minor-county Norfolk, Meyrick: Pringle, aged 21, an all-rounder who came in the county from South Africa nn the recom-mendation of Garth le Roux, definitely plays.

Nuttinghamshire are unchanged as they start the defence of their ehampinnship at Lord's, but Leicestershire will be without their West Indian fast bowler, George Ferris, who has

NatWest increase The winners of the NatWest

The winners of the NatWest Trophy this year will earn £21,000, £1,000 more than Nottinghamshire collected last September. NatWest, spousoring cricket's leading one-day competition for the eighth year, is putting up a total of £56,000 prize-money, a £2,500 increase on 1987. Nottinghamshire begin their defence of the title at Torquay on June 22 whea they meet Devon in the first round. meet Devon in the first round.

an ankle injury. Surrey wait on the fitness of their promising medium-fast bowler, Martin Bicknell, who is recovering from a back injury.

Surrey will have both their West Indian fast bowlers, Sylvester Clarke and Tony Gray, available for the whole season, and, after the success of a last-minute appeal to the TCCB, Hampshire will be able to play their own overseas fast bowler, Stephen Jefferies, in the march at Southampston. The match at Southampton. The TCCB had originally blocked bis registration until the county's other overseas players, Greenidge and Marshall, had been officially selected for the West Indies touring party.

With the New Zealand captain, John Wright, coming into the side and Peter Bowler fresh from his debut century against Cambridge University, the Derhyshire eaptain, Kim Barnett, has dropped down the order fur his side's mach against Leicestershire at Derby. Barnen will bat at Nn. 5. "h's fair to give Peter a run and Juhn is happier upening." Barnett said. "I think I've got enough experi-

Total 78
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-35, 3-58, 4-58, 5-58, 6-58, 6-58, 7-58, 8-69, 9-77.
BOWLING: Small 14-6-21-1; Merrick 7.3-1-21-1; Smath 7-0-15-1; Parsons 16-7-16-7; Gifford 3-1-5-0.
WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings
"T A Lloyd c Affering before 5 and 5 and

Total (for one wkt)

A I. Kallicharran, † G W Humpage, P A Smith, G J Parsons, T A Merrick, G C Small, A R K Pierson and N Gifford to bat. Umpires: B J Meyer and J C Balderstone.

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Extras (nb 3)



Fowler ready for fairer fortune

By Peter Ball

One lesson emerged loud and clear from MCC's opening match against Nottinghamshire characteristically accident-prone winter the irrepressible Lancashire opener, Graeme Fowler, has picked up where he left off last season.

The innings, by all reports, was in a typically perky Fnwler vein, exhilarating strokes sometimes counter-balanced by a general appearance of in-security. But appearance is the key word, for it is difficult to argue with Fnwler's record last son, nr in his days as an England opener.

Last season he amassed 1,800 first-class runs, including three centuries and 11 fifties, to become the leading English run-scorer in the first-class averages, and the highest scorer for his county for 22 years. His failure io arract the selectors amazed his colleagues, moving his captain, the usually temperate-David Hughes, tn describe his ommission from all the winter

THE PARKS: Northampton-shire, with all first-innings wick-

ets in hand, are 132 runs behind Oxford University

Simon Almaer played one of the

slawest innings in cricket his-tory when he made only four

runs in two and a half hours for Oxford University yesterday.

his first-class debut was an edge for two after 25 minutes play.

He added two singles towards lunch and did not score in the

half bour after the interval before being caught at slip. David Hagan's wicket was the only Northamptonshire success before lunch, but the expected Oxford collapse followed with

the next three wickets falling for six runs. The remaining bats-

Oxford University failed to benefit from the best start for two seasons after being put in.

nvers.

Almaer's first scoring shot nn

touring parties as "diabolical". ter than anyone except Allan His colleagues, and indeed Fowler himself, believed that last season, as he helped Lancashire to their bighest position since 1960, he was a better player than in his days as an England regular. Then a devastaling neck injury, the legacy of a car crash in 1978, surfaced. He obunged from an England He plunged from an England place to the county second XIin little over two months.

It is easy to forget the fact now, but before the injury took its toll, he had an exceptional Test record. He had just re-turned from the tour nf India where he became the first Eng-lish batsman to score a Test double century oo the subcontinent

In his first 20 Tests he scored 1.23g runs, nn aggregate outstripping those of such noted accumulators as Geoffrey Boycott, John Edrich, and Graham Gooch nver the same stage of their careers. That record in-cluded five Tests against the 1984 West Indies at their most formidable. Fowler coping bet-

Hagan and Almaer put on 53 before Hagan, who struck eight boundaries, was caught for 43.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY: First Innings

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S A Almaer c Bailey b Robinson
M J Kilborn c Ripley b Robinson
M J Kilborn c Ripley b Robinson
R E Morrs c G Cook b Williams
A N S Hampton c Ripley b Robinson
S II Weele c G Cook b M G B Cook
I M Henderson c Ripley b Brown
P G Edwards c Ripley b Walker
J O Nuttal b Walker
M R Musorrowe not cet

Total 137 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-53, 2-61, 3-66, 4-67, 5-96, 7-119, 8-135, 9-137.

67. 5-96, 7-119. 8-135, 9-137. BOWLING: Walker 22-9-40-2; Brown 21-13-25-2; Robinson 21-5-43-3; N G 2 Cook 15-8-16-1; Lariuns 9-9-0-1; Williams 4-2-6-

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings Cook not out

Larkins not out Extras (w 1| _____

Debutant Almaer's

snail-paced crawl

Even then not everyone was convinced. Fowler's vulnerabil-

ity outside the off stump exercised some critics. His colleagues report, however, that Fowler, his jaunty personality restored after the traumas of the previous two seasons had added

a sharp edge to his quick wit, also began enjoying his cricket again last year. "Day in, day out I think I'm playing better than I ever have," he said then. "I'm playing straighter, and I'm standing a lot more still when I bat, I'm not jumping up and down as much as I used to." The recovery from the injury

is now complete, and that played a major part in his return to form. I've gni more control over my hands and more strength since my neck was sorted out," he said.

The winter was spent in Australia working in a cold store. "I was the only English-cricketer overseas going to work in a balaclava," be reflected

ruefully, and typically his occassional proneness to ac-cidents resurfaced. His winter was cut short when a fork-lift truck ran over him, breaking his

Now he is eagerly looking forward to the challenge of the new season, revelling in the new atmosphere at Old Trafford and hoping to help the county go one better than last season's second place. But he still retains his ambitton, and although he is clearly behind Gooch, Broad, Robinson and Moxon in the pecking order, his sheer guts may yet be required against this summer's tourists, the West Indies. Fowler himself would relish

the opportunity, although after spending 1984 ducking and diving he would approach it differently this time. "I shall wear a forearm protector, use a lighter bat and try and take them on this time," he promised. It might be typical Fowler fearless-ness, but it is encouraging after the winter's discontents to hear an English cricketer sounding so

Atherton and Hussein lead in Fenner's trial

Michael Atherton, of Cambridge, leads a team in the final trial for the Combined Universities at Fenner's, Cambridge, on Sunday, Captain of the Cumbined side, Atherton is expected to command a first-team place with Lancashire later this season nace his Cambridge commitments are nver. Nasser Hussein, of Durham

University, captains the opposition. Contracted to Essex, Hussein is a lively stroke-player and was with Atherton in Australia earlier this year play-ing for Young England in the World Cuo. A further four students from

last year's side are amning the trialists. Paul Bail, at Cambridge, Martin Speight, the Dur-ham wicketkeeper, Mark Crawley, of Oxford and Tim Barry, nf Loughborough will provide invaluable support to Atherton and the rest.

Graham Saville, the NCA coach based at Essex, is in charge of the team for the second year and knows he needs second year and knows he needs to strengthen the bowling. He will be expecting Mike Smith (Exeter University), Jonathan Alkinson (Cambridge), Mark Hickson (Loughborough) and Nigel Fenton (Cambridge) to provide his main attack.

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BOWLS

England show why they

made a confident start to the

England's 13-1 lead after one end included a six inflicted on Dai Richards by John Bell, who finished 31-7 in front Andy Thomson and Pip Branfield's rioks also topped 30, while Tony Allcock and David Bryant had narrower wins of 10 and seven

Only David Wilkins, a Welsh

Harwood voices Warning doubt for Newmarket

By Michael Seely, Racing Correspondent

Warning is a doubtful runner in the General Accident 2,000 Guineas but no plan has yet been made to switch Zelphi from the Prix d'Essai des Poulains to Newmarket in an attenut to size Khaled Abdulla attempt to give Khaled Abdulla his third triumph in the first of

Jeremy Tree. Confirming that no decision would be taken about Zelphi, last Saturday's Greenham Stakes winner, until after a discussion with Abdulia the Beckhampton trainer then said that Magic Of Life bould now be regarded as a certain runner in the 1,000 Guitees.

"She has been coughing, but is now fine. She worked really well this morning and I was delight-ed," said Tree. Pat Edders will-ride the Seattle Slew filly, whose, odds have shortened to 10-1.

The plunge on Unfavain for the Derby with Dick Hera's impressive winner of the War-ren Stakes now generally on offer at 8-1 after being laid at 12-1 and 10-1 yesterday.

Warning's distinguished two-year-old career had seen the colt installed as n firm favourite for the Guineas until he was de-posed by Doyoun in last week's Craven Stakes at Newmarket. Interestingly, an analysis of the Craven by Timeform Com-Tom Jones trains the winner fur Sheikh Hamdan Alputer Timeligures suggests that the time for the classic trial was not as exceptional as has been

"Doyonn recorded a Timefigure of 12t," said Chris Wright, the departmental manager. "A figure of 130 is considered to be a potential classic winning performance.

"Of course, this is not against Doyoun, as it was only his second race and he is sure to improve. In fact, I think he will win the Guineas. But Warning's figure of 116 was exactly n stone below that put up in the Champagne Stakes at Ladbrokes have shortened Doyoun's price to 1-2 and offer

Warning at 7-2 with a run. They then go 6-1 Caerwent, 12-1 Intimidate and Lapierre, 14-1

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No positive pointers towards the Derby came from the Racal-Vodafone Blue Riband Tend Stakes after Richard Hills on Shuja had fought off a determined challenge from his brother Michael on the Basinishing St Cadoc to win by a head.

Maktoum, whose blue and white colours have been carried to victory four times in the pari-five days by Alwasini. Dashir and Unfuwain as well as by yesterday's winner.

"He's a nice young horse, who is much better on faster ground," said the trainer." But I won't make any plans until I've talked to the owner. Gavin Potchard-Gordon, on

the other hand, produced a possible classic candidate when John Reid drove Princess Genista to a three-length was us the Racal Electronics Fillies Handicap. "It was only sher staining that got her there," said the trainer. "And if the owners, want to run in a classic, I shall

Triptych in cup muddle From Our French Racing Correspondent, Paris

clerical error may have cost Patrick-Louis Binncone his chance of winning the Hanson Coronation Cup at Epson on

Biancone had intended to enter Triptych, last year's win-ner, and River Memories, in the group one event, but a telex confirming the entry of the Peter Brant-owned pair appears to have gone astray. have gone astray.

Weatherbys evidently did not receive the entry, since neither horse is among the 29 official entries announced yesterday. Biancone claims he has the telex confirming the entry and that any mistake was not his Either one of Triptych or River Memories would have

been a strong fancy for the Epsom contest but, even without them, there is a good foreign entry, with Arc second Tony Bin and the much-travelled Le Glorienz looking the pick.

Chantilly stable and Weatherbys are sixe to be buzzing today as they attempt to

Scudamore on 99 mark after double Beau Ranger's smooth victory who thinks Ten Of Spades could be £25,000 South Wales be a Hennessy prospect.

Showers Mira Silver Trophy at Cheltenham yesterday com-pleted a double for Peter Scudamore, leaving the cham-pion on the 99 mark for the season. It also took Martin Pipe past £200,000 in win prize-money for the first time in his training career.

With everything in his favour, Beau Ranger started II-10 favourite and forced the pace in his usual style. Very Promising faded into fourth but Chief Ironside excelled himself with a strong challenge over the last two fences. Scudamore, how-ever, reported that Beau Ranger was never off the bridle.

Pipe was annoyed at Liver-pool where Beau Ranger spread a plate and had to he withdrawn at the start of the Chivas Regal Cup, won by Desert Orchid. It could have been a blessing because today's race was much easier and just as valuable. Ten Of Spades, watched by

his E8-year-old owner, Colonel Bill Whitbread, initiated the Scudamore double when tackling 31/4 miles for the first time in the Piper Champagne Golden Miller Chase. Ten Of Spades was always dictating the running and won as he wanted.

"He needs three miles now and has been wanting this good ground," said Mercy Rimell,

Nick Gaselee saddled a handsome double with Private Views (8-13) and Western Dandy, a total surprise at 33-I and over 90-1 on the Tote.

Private Views, scoring his sixth success of the season, four of them here at Cheltenham, jumped best and made all in the

Smith Eccles gets all clear Steve Smith Eccles was yes-terday given the all clear by the Jockey Club to ride in a hurdle-race in South Africa on Saturday

Smith Eccles, who flies out on Sunday, rides Aced in the 27,000 Nashwa Hurdle at Turffontein near Juhannesburg.

Steel Plate and Sections Young. Chasers Final.

The seven-year-old has now, finished for the season and Gasclee is already thinking in terms of a repeat success in the Cathcart at next year's Festival. Tebritto, n real money spinner, for Andy Turnell, was scoring his seventh victory of the school when he took the Evesham Conditional Jockeys Novices Hardin

Llewellyn narrows gap

With his win on Karennsu in the Land Rover qualifier at the PPOA meeting at Ashorae on Tuesday, John Llewellyn took his seasonal total to 16, two behind Philip Scholfield, the current leader in the men's title

Alison Dare, the present women's title holder, rode her 99th winner, either between the flags or under rules. This was on Allen Lad who will now go on to contest the Audi final at Cheltenham on May 4.

RESULTS: POINT-TO-POINT: ONNERS CLUB: Marres: 1, Pertile Mirrege (I. Leity) 2. Kelly's Bridge (S R Andrewsi); 3, Gibralian Gari (J Bailey), Members: 1, Oraginonise (K Hollowell); 2, Lisadom (M Laucas); 2, Gelleo (H Taylor), Open: 1, Karennas-(Lewellyn); 2, Horton's Coint (T Loned); 3. Fury Manor (G Tarry), Ludles: 1, Allent Lad (Aliss A Dare); 2, Novascope (Mirs J Members); 3, Impudence (Miss J Beins); Rest: 1, Ghostouster (P Hardino-Jones); 2, Cornen Express (Miss A Dare); 3, Burnsyare (H Virheller), Miss A Dare); 3, Estapheson); 3, Hard Toffee (Miss A Langton), Miss It. 1, Our Prefestion (C Coyne); 2, Ebony's Boy (G Tarrok; 3, Pernicisety (J Greenall), TODAY'S MEETING Telecot: Chims. Sing. TODAY'S MEETING: Telcott, Crimp, Smr. of Bude (first race 5.30).

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Noel Loban, the British heavyweight, was not too crestfallen by failing to make an impression on the Soviet world champion, Leri Khabelov, in the final of the European championships in Manchester: the silver medal was sufficient compensation for

losing 9-0. Khabelov is a remarkable technician, and for all his in-tense manner, Loban, aged 31, could only acknowledge that he was caught by some highly skilled moves. But Loban, an Olympic bronze at 90kg, fourth in last year's world championships and now a European silver at 100kg, can look towards winning a medal in Seoul with

But this does not indicate, sadly, that British Olympic wrestling is undergoing a renaissance. With its public image still sullied by the professional antics, it remains small and understand in British. developed in Britain.

There are only a few thousand who actually wrestle in this country, and the British Amateur Wrestling Association is debating whether to hire its first full-time coach or a develop-

And yet the British potential is there. British juniors figure in the medals in the world and European junior competitions, but fail 10 maintain the promise in the senior events. Brian Aspen. European silver medal winner at 57kg in 1984, was one exception, but Loban is not for though British, he emerged through the highly developed American collegiate system. What a contrast, then, is the

work of the Soviet Uninn. In the last European cadet champion-ships they did not even bother to send a team. But in Manchester this weekend every final featured a Soviet wrestler, and

are favourites England, fielding four new caps,

CIS home international indoor series at Hartlepool yesterday, beating Wales by 152 shots to 81 - confirming their position as favourites to retain the Hilton Trophy (David Rhys Jones

respectively.

Only David Wilkins, a Weiser skip, managed to stem the tide, holding David Ward's rink to a 17-all score.
RESULTS: England 152, Wales 81. Sidos scores (English names first): A Allcock 24, T M Jones 14; A E Thomson 30, J A Morgan 12; P J Branfield 31, G Williams 19; D J Bryant 18, L Webley 12; D Ward 17, D Williams 17; J Bell 31, D Richards 7.

3.45 HOWARD E PERRY HUNTER CHASE (Amateurs: £1,783: 3m 2f) (7 runners)

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RACING

School Concert to step up on her promising Kempton performance

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

seeing Aim For The Top, a filly that he bought in the United States as a yearing win the Princess Elizabeth Stakes for them at Epsom earlier this week.

Now the same successful agent is hopeful that School Concert, a filly that the stud bred themselves, can keep up the good work at Pontefract today by winning the Tote Dual Forecast Handicap.

She has a low draw which, granted a fast break, is always favourable on the sprint course at Pontefract. Last season her all the way victory over six furlongs at Folkestone provided evidence of her ability to go off in front and stay

More recently she was a creditable fourth form a bad draw in the race won by Tyrian Belle at Kempton over Easter. Since then Tyrian Belle has won again at Newbury, while Ela-Yianni-Mou, the third horse home, won at Epsom on Tuesday. So her form has a solid look about it. There is an additional line through Farewell Song, who finished fifth, which suggests

In his role as bloodstock adviser to the Cheveley Park Stud, David Minton has already had the satisfaction of who finished just half a length capable of beating Ian Balding's runner, Red Dame, who finished just half a length behind Farewell Song at Folkestone 10 days ago.

Favourite Girl is said to be very well but has an indifferent draw while Fairfield Lad, who finished third overfive furlongs at Doncaster,



William Haggas: trains

School Concert may not be as well suited by six furlongs as School Concert. Yesterday, School Concert's successful young trainer, William Haggas, in only his second season at Newmarket, said that his filly is very, very well indeed and that they are hopeful of the best.

In the Fryston EBF Stakes 12 months ago, Orban looked in a class of his own and started at 100-30 gn. Now, Our Eliaso appears to have a similar advantage over his rivals in the corresponding Mrs Piggott will also be

event on today's card. hoping to win the Went Edge Stakes with Big Chief, who ran so well at Newmarket seven days ago to finish third behind Point House. However, those hopes may

well be dashed by Steve Cauthen on Grand Tier who started favourite for the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot last summer after winning first time out at Doncaster. At Cheltenham, the talented young Lambourn trainer Simon Christian has a good

chance of pulling off a double with Developer's Run and Majestic Buck. Developer's Run, my selection for the 1788 Handicap Hurdle, is a fresh horse who ran well to finish third behind The Demon Barber and Sunbia at Wetherby last time. Majestic Buck, who divided Saffron Lord and Kissane at Ascot a fortnight ago, looks poised to go one better in the

PLUMPTON

Selections By Mandarin 2.15 Gingerland. 2.45 Four Sport. 3.15 The Somac. 3.45 Brave. Defender. 4.15 Random Traveller. 4.45 Light The Lot.

Going: good 2.15 CROWBOROUGH. NOVICES HURDLE (2852.30; 2m) (18 runners)

4 0P10 EAGLE 1808S 1 (B,CD,S) A Moore 8-11-2

BETTRIG: 5-2 Gingerland, 7-2 Cuckoo in The Nest, 11-2 Harrison, 7-1 Gold Shelf, 8-1 Lasting Hope, 12-1 others. 2.45 PEVENSEY NOVICES CHASE (£1,088: 2m)

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21 P24 ESTRALITA-867 (F) A Hodges 19-10-9.

BETTING: 11-4 Four Sport. 7-2 Poter Glan, 9-2 Jonbs, 6-1 Up At Davin, 15-2 Centeur Song, 10-1 Churches Green, 18-1 others. 3.15 PORTSLADE HANDICAP CHASE (£1,932: 3m

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raou 8-11, Plain Jim 8-11 BETTING: 3-1 Alty-Express, 4-1 Wordel, 9-2 Dr Pepper, 11-2 The Somer, 8-1 Stargeza, 10-1 Woodburgh, 18-1 others.

3.45 SHEFFIELD PARK NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-0:

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BETTREC: 2-1 Brave Defender, 7-2 Ruling Dynasty, 8-1 Fair Park, 6-1 Trojan Song, 10-1 others. 4.15 BEAVIS WALKER NOVICES CHASE (£1,766.20: 2m 4f) (16)

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BETTING: 15-8 Random Traveller, 4-1 Kuteti's Belle, 5-1 ciplos Moss, 8-1 Regal Santa, 10-1 others. 4.46 WIVELSFIELD HANDICAP HURDLE (21,242:

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Long bandicup: Mejuba Road 9-8, Splandid Fellow 6-7,; High Heeven 9-7, Taxinds 9-6, The Enid 9-4, Potistown 6-1, End of Era 6-12, Fortoid 8-6 BETTIME: 190-30 Light The Lot, 7-2 None Too Deer, 9-2 Dream Merchant, 7-1 Windbreaker, 16-1 others,

Course specialists

TRANSPERS: birs J Pitmer, 9 witners from 24 runners, 37.5%; N Henderson, 6 from 18, 35.5%; M Pipe, 7 from 23, 30.4%; R Alestares, 8 from 31, 25.6%; P Jorde, 5 from 20, 25.0%; R O'Sufferen, 6 from 25, 24.0%. JOCKEYS: M Pitman, 7 winners from 18 rides, 38.9%; D Gellegher, 4 from 14, 28.6%; M Kinano, 9 from 42, 21.4%; Peter Hobbs, 6 from 31, 19.4%; Penny Filich-Heyes, 13 from 75, 17.3%; Dele McKeown, 8 from 35, 17.1%.

Results from yesterday's three meetings

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2.15 (2m hdle) 1, WESTERN DAMDY (A Adens, 33-1): 2, Tene HR (M Jones, 20-1): 3, The Belevial Boy (J Prost, 11-1); 4, Stra Rt The Gille Fil Flows, 8-1 tan), ALSO

PLAN: 7 Ryde Again, 12 Greet Destiny, Heyfiset, 14 Serious Mars, 16 Til Do The Jokes, 20 Chatanoogachochoo, Epitrot, Another Corel, Redgrave Devil (8th), Double Celline, Shoon Wind, High River, 33 Privataperformance, 40 Monumental Led, 100 Breenmance, Courtbrook, 24 rat. NR: Shy Hiter, 51, 1%, 12, 11, 12%, N Geselee at Upper Lambourn, Totes 291 86; 217, 20, 23.80, 23.00, 21.70. DP: 93.80 Winner or second with any other horse. CBP. 2514.58. Tricest 25.778.52. 2.56 G/m 21 ch 1, TEN OF SPADES (*)
2.56 G/m 21 ch 1, TEN OF SPADES (*)
Scudentore, 11-5 tay); 2, Woodside Road
(*) Lievellyn, 20-1); 3, Wast To (R)
Dunwoody, 11-2, ALSO RAN: 2 Fair Cald
(4th), 6 Lieb Night Edita (pu), 5 Fan 12, 8,
dist. Mrs M Rimell at Rimeratey. Toxic
22.20; £1.30, £3.00. CSP: £17.22.

22.0; E1.30, E3.00; CSP-E17.22.

3.25 (2m 4f ch) 1, BEAU RANGER (P SCUGARDER, 11-10 fast; 2, Chief invasion (R Rowe, 18-1); 3, Bishape Vaen (R Guest, 12-1), ALSO FANE; 7-4 fav Vary Promising (4th, 13-2 Oragon Triel (5th), 5 ran, NP. Garfuntot. 1%1, 20, %1, 10, lid Pos at Wellington. Tota: 23.0; £1.40, £2.90. DP. E10.10. CSP: £13.48.

£10.10. CSP: £13.48.

4.0 (2m 4t ch) 1. PRIVATE VIEWS (K Mooney, 0-13 fav; Micashal Seely's nap);
2. Vigiveny Express (S Earta, 18-1; 3. Grey Terrando (F Boucher, 100-1). ALSO RAN: 100-30 Miseing Man (Stit), 9 Problem Child (ur), 13 Solar Cloud (4th). 5 rat. NP: Hall Brother, 254, 15, 34, 201. N Gaselee at Upper Lambourn, Tote: £1.80; £1.30, £2.60. DF: £5.40. CSP: £3.09.

21.30, 22.60. DF. 98.40, CSF. 29.09.

4.35 (2m hdis) 1, TERITTO (I Lawrence, 54 tav; Private Handicasper's top nething); 2 Useful Addition (W Hayes, 20-1); 3. Disnry Waleh (D Tegg, 10-1), ALSO RAN: T Auction Fever (45t), 6 The Humble Tiller, Melicho (5th), 16 Shilles Hills (5th), 20 Fu's Lady, 25 Crown Green, Stag Dinner, 33 Firmter, Mester Themse (pul. Sharest, 55 Court Appeal, Duelling, Ellie Boy, Frampton House, Gee Up, Luigh's Star (pul, Rowal Effly (ur), Smolteny's Secret, Vanleting Boy (ft, Barvadel, 25 Can, Nit: Shy Hiller, Turns Hall, Mi, nk. 71, nk. 251, A Tiller at Elest Hundred, Totte: 29.90; 21, 70, 25.40, 25.90, DF. 225.40. CSP: 227.54, Following a stawards inquiry and an objection, the result stands.

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5.10 (3m India) 1, ENVOPAK TOKEN (R. Rowe, 6-1); 2, Lake Valentine (C. Grant, 9-1); 3, Shenam Bridge (S. Sherwood, 3-1); 15v). ALSO RANK 3 (t-tav Carnhai Air, 7 Snowfire Chep., 10 Ruby Pigint (4th). 11 The Shiner (5th), 12 Emo Forewer, 50 Handymouse (6th), 6 ran. 2ki, 3, 6i, 4, 7l. J. Gifford at Pindon. Totac 18:00; 21:80, 53:10. 21:50. DF: ES8.40. CSP: ES1.07. Triceat: 2173.27. Plecepot 232.20.

Pontefract

Going: 9000

2.35 (51) 1, BOLLIN ZOLA (M Birch, 121): 2, Lovely Ears (T love, 9-2): 3, Sylow (K
Hodgson, 16-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 faw Blass
Money, 5 Nordic Brave (4th, 11-2 Carry
On Gary (6th), Generosity Gen., 7
Crowthers (5th), 6 ran. 3, 51, 71, 14, 8, M
H Essiantly at Great Habton, 10th: 528-10;
23.70, C1:30, C7.10, DF: 244-20, CSF:
252-17.

3.5 (6) 1, BREAKFAST BI BED (N Day, 9-1); 2, Scotch Imp (S Websier 9-2 tay); 3, Peg: Velero (W Pyan, 10-1); 4, Crown Justice (S Gauthen, 8-1), ALSO FIAN: 6 Rub do Ville (GN), 7 Trade High (SN), 8 Almerims, 9 Simphen's Song, 14 Shanouska, Saint Navarro, 16 Nt Berksley, Must Be Magic, Stry Mistress, Viva Ronda, 20 Turly Lady, Gothic Ford, Knocksterry, Romegas Day, 18 min. 2, 11, 10, 14, 31 W Haigh et Maiton, Totac 12:20; 22:40, 22:70, 22:70, 22:10, DC; 22:8, 22:40, 22:70, 22:70, 22:10, DC; 22:8, 10, CSF: 254.38, Tricast: 2400.31, Bought in 2,200gns.

3.45 (1m 2) 1, 9 RIMEBGILL (3 Starkey, 7-2); 2, Microthin (5 Cauther, 5-2); 3, Charline (G Carter, 10-1), ALSO PANE 5-4 few Domas (400), 20 Golden liste (600, 40) Baldyr (5th), 65 Nictori Shvor, 7 ran, 54, 12, 151, 131, 164, M. Stoute at Newmarket. Tota: 24,70; 21,70, 21,90, DP: 24,20, CSP; 211,97.

211.97.
4.15 (Im 4t) 7. CHECKPOINT (S. Cauthen, 11-2); 2. Golden Fency (D. Nacholie, 12-1); 3. Go West (Paul Eddery, 7-1); ALSO RAN; 5 fev Christmas Holly (5th), 11-2 Liermen, 15-2 Mansio, 9 ABC Superstar, 12 Prince Zamaro, 14 Nevos, 18 Artalus Star, Horcoak, Our Hero, 20 Queens Man (4th), Wisconsin, 33 Hawalian Heir (5th), 15 ran, 5, nk, 25t, 3t, 3t, C. Britishi at Newmerket, Totac 24, 8t, 3t, C. Britishi at Newmerket, Totac 24, 8t), 21, 0, 55, 80, 22, 10, DF: 242, 70, CSF: 289, 77. Tricast: 244, 57.

Tricest: 2444.57.

4.45 (5) 1, CADEAUX GENEREUX (Paul Eddery, 7-2); 2, Chearne (W Ryen, 7-1); 3, Waitingformergaret (T Ives, 6-4 fav). ALSO RAN: 7-2 Acaputo (481), 8 LovelBated (681), 14 Golden Chartot (581), 20 Twiffght Falls, 50 Lady Harster, 6 ran, 4/, 6l, rk. 6l, rk. 0 Douleb at Newmarkst Totac 53.90; 21.30, 22.00, 21.10. DF: 211.50. CSF: 227.65.

CSF: 227.65.
5.15 (1m) 1, YOUNG JASON (S Peris, 12-1): 2, Geiden Bees (Deis Gibson, 11-1): 3, Piegue O' Rats (T Ives, 25-1): 4, Laven Lase (J Carr, 20-1): ALSO RAN: 2-1 fav Aconitom, 8 Funny Sarah, Wasmi, 0 Tom Rum, 10 Tom Forrester, 14 Glory Gold, 18 Joint Sarvices, Moores Metzi, Rapealed, Telmschus, 10 Raffia Run, 20 Four Laffs (5th), Roftsson, 25 Turtur N. Ppolia, Teejey (8th): 22 ran. 54, Ni, 21, oi., uh nd. F H Lee at Witmstow, Totar: 217-70; E3-40. 25-30. 215-50. DF: 253.10. CSF: 2150.23. Tricus: 2300.950.

Blinkered first time PONTEFRACT: 3.20 Royal Magician.

 Sir John Sparrow is to succeed Christopher Collins as chairman of the National Stud. Sir John, former head of the Central Policy Review Staff and director of Morgan Grenfell, chaired the Levy Board's inquiry into the forme of the stud in 1985. Collins, who has been chairman of the stud for two years, says he is leaving to give more time to

CHELTENHAM

Selections By Mandarin

2.00 Developer's Run. 4.20 Sea Island. 4.55 Majestic Buck. 5.30 The Merry Gambler.

Brian Beel's selection: 3,45 Three Counties.

Michael Seely's selection: 3.45 THREE COUNTIES (nap).

Going: good to firm

2.0 1788 HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,943: 2m 4f) (16 numers)

042200 MOLOJEC B (D.O.S) (Mrs R Vaughan) N Henderson 7-11-11 231100 HILL-STREET-BLUES 36 (D.F.S) (L. Marsh) J Fox 10-11-5...... 6-P20P9 WELGENCO 14 (F.G.S) (A Birchall) B Melor 0-11-4..... G Landau A Charlion . R Denne ... P Den T Wooley (7)

BETTING: 8-1 Little Toro, 7-1-HB Street Blues, 8-1 El Gallieo, La Grande Deme, Malac 10-1 Developer's Run, Molojec, Weigenco, 14-1 Fingest, Shallow Walk, Well Covered, 18-1 others. 1987: TENZING 7-10-3 S Sharwood (5-2 fev) G Sharwood 0 ran

FORM shoulder (10-11) best effort when a short head 2nd to Admirate All (10-1) here (2m 4t, £3838, good, Dec 12, 10 ran) with AMECE (10-0) at 3nd. HILL-STREET-BLUES disappointing since (11-5) beating fined The Treed (10-0) 10f at Sandown (2m5f, 75yd, 23128, good to soft, Feb 16, 16 ran). LITTLE TORO (11-5) on perutiments start 21 2nd to Nicol John (10-7) after being hampered run-in at Plumpton (2m 4f, £3292, soft, Mar 15, 18 ran). FINGEST (10-7) best recent effort a length 2nd to

Marsh King (10-10) at Newbury (2m 4f 120yd, E3074, heavy, Feb 12, 2f ran) with STICKITS BROTHER (10-0) 8th and AMECE (10-8) well behind. DEVELOPERS RUM (10-10) 111 3rd to The Demon Barbar (10-12) at Weitherby (2m 4f, £3964, good to soft, Apr 5, 11 ran). MALADICTION (10-10) 11% 3rd to Folk Dence (11-1) at heydook (2m 4f, 12-100, good to soft, Mar 4, 14 ran) with WELL COVERED (10-12) out of the East lan.

2.35 BICENTENARY NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (\$2,547: 2m 4f) (25 numers)

1 2	SIPE	JOHNSTONS GLORY 37 (S) (P Hopkins) J Gifford 6-11-16	R Rowe	89
3	262141	SHAH'S CHOICE & (F.S) (A Skidmore) C Pophern 5-11-9 (6ex)	B Powell	32
4	000100	M ARKET BUIL 17 (V D S) (D Vetes) B (as 5.11.7	R Dowling	91
. 0	010	NO ONE TO BLAME 47 (S) (Fixtong BrostConstruction)Ltd) H Hende	erson 6-11-7 J White	- 36
8	0-11F00	COME ALCHE 12 (D.S) (G Philips) A J Wilson 7-11-2	A Webb	92
Ö	2431	ROSCOE HARVEY 13 (Q) (C Brooks) F Winter 8-11-2 (607)	V Kennedy (4)	24
13	00-016	SHEAKAPENNY 17 (S) (Nrs E Courage) M Wikinson 8-11-0	C Llevelten	-
14	212100	TARTAN TRADEMARK 47 (G.S) (Edinburgh Woollen Mill Ltd) D Rich	erds 8-11-0_ P Tack	21
18	304201	FRED THE TREAD 8 (BJF) (G Groenwood) T Casey 8-10-13 (Sex)	R Beggen	-
18	80232	VERAGAN 18 (M Marsh) D Barons 0-10-12	P Micholie	
21	030102	VIRAGAN 18 (M Marsh) D Barons 0-10-12	A Smith (7)	26
25	31 E000	THE LEGGETT 13 (S) (Mrs G Melone) P Hobbs 5-10-10	6 Smith Eccine	79
25	000110	SMITHY BEAR 15 (B,BF,S) (Mrs J John) R Dickin 8-10-9	W Humphreys (4)	-
27	2.03154	ANOTHER SCHEDULE 16 (D.F.G) (Mrs G Black) F Winter 7-10-7	P Scuringore	. 99
29	B-CHICO	LAST HOUSE 15 (G) (Mrs M Eastor) Wrs M Easton 8-10-5	R Arnott	27
32	100000	DANNY'S LLICK B (G) (P Holden) D Barons 8-10-3	P Histoile	-
33	2000	FAREWELL TO ALMS 17 (J Crisp) 6 Christian 0-10-2	A Steitheitand (7)	
39	80.0044	MISTER HAMMY & (C Bravery) C Bravery 8-19-0	H Device	92
40	800-000	REDMARLEY 48 (G) (E Weinstein) G Beiding 8-10-0	G Cox	
41	150000	CHASE THE LINE 17 (D.F) (D Homby) D Nicholson 5-10-0 (6ex)	O Permanente	91
45	UP-0001	KNOCKANANNA 42 (BF) (R Hear) Fenton) P Hotos 8-10-0	G i mateu	25
7	000	CLUGA GURM 13 (G) (D Coombs) A Barrow 7-10-0	SI Williams	
1 44	ULP ST-9	NOT ARCADIAN 64 (R Pty) J Old 7-19-0	Mr. T Counthern	
49	CH-SHEET	KHATTAF 26F (W Start) J Old 4-10-0	WALL BURNES	-
1 49	40-4	APRI IAP 20F (W SUST) J DO T TO COME C 40 0		-
51	0-00040	RING OF SECRETS 7 (M Evens) T M Jones 8-10-0		. 53
Gun	Long han n 9-8, No	dicag: Mister Hernmy 9-12, Redmertey 8-12, Chase The Line 9-12 Areadien 9-1, Khattel 9-4, Ring Of Secrets 9-3.	, Knockanenna 9-9, (Ciura
	BETTING	4-1 Another Schedule, 8-1 Johnstone Glary, 7-1 Fred The Trend, 9-	Blasket Pkm, 12-1 C	heso

The Line, No One To Biame, Sheh's Choice, Tarten Trademark, 14-1 Roscon Hervey, 18-1 others. 1967; NEW GOLD DREAM 6-10-8 R Durwoody (10-1) D Micholson 12 ran

FORM BLASKET RIM (11-12) B 2nd to See Island (11-1) at Chapsaow last time (2m, £1485, good to soft, April 4, 12 ram) with SMEAKAPENRY (11-9) 28 Vid away in Bith.

TARTAN TRADEMARK (11-4) best effort an Bl victory from Chart Finder (10-12) at Dencaster (3m, £845, good, Dec 11, 13 ram). FRED THE TREAD (10-3) best Zuko (10-11) 11 at Ascot (2m, 64208, good to firm April 13,11 ran).
DROWSY (11-11) best effort feet time 3t 2nd to Forest Ranger (11-2) at Utioxeter (3m, £1082, good. to soft, April 4, 8 ran).

ANOTHER SCHEDULE (11-2) 91 4th to Prime Osts (11-2) at Ascot (2m 4f, 23414, good, 6 April, 17 ran) with LAST HOUSE (10-11) 93/1 (way in 6th. DANNY'S LUCK BOY (11-2) 111 Srd to Beldale Ster (12-0) at Fortunal (2m.2), EB34, Brm, April 12, 15 ran). CHASE THE LINE (11-1) best Sunday For Monday (10-8) 21 at Huntingdon (2m 44, £1501, good to firm, April 4, 22 ram).

Selection: ANOTHER SCHEDULE

3.19 HOLMAN CUP HANDICAP CHASE (£4,456: 2m) (8 runners)

F44111 BALLICH 8 (D.F.G.S) (O Squire) B Presce 7-11-13 (Sex)—
1F2220 CLAY HILL 12 (D.F.S) (G Hubbarth J Gifford 8-11-10 (Sex)—
1F22211 MERCLEOUR T7 (D.G.S) (Mrs. A Lagget) Jimesy Fizgerald 9-11-10 (Sex)—
22022 MUSIC SE MAGIC 2 (S.C.D.F.S) (N Meson Lut) G Richards 6-11-2—
221SF41 DOUBLETON 17 (S.D.P.G.S) (A Ford) D Berons 7-11-2—
111220 YANGTSE-KIANG 5 (D.F.G) (Misc D Ha) J Bradley 8-10-12—
19-314P STARJESTIC 14 (CD.F.G.S) (M Mischel) N Bradley 10-10-4—
(22300 PETER ANTHONY 6 (CD.F.G.S) (R Hiddren) R Hidman 10-10-1— BETTING: 3-1 Baluchi, 7-2 Meldeour, 9-2 Music be Magic, 13-2 Starfeetic, 8-1 Clay HB, Yangton-Klang, 12-1 Coubleton, 18-1 Peter Anthony. 1907: HOMANY NEGHTSHADE 11-10-8 H Davies (9-2) P Hobbs 6 ren

FORM BALLICHE (12-5) beet Tactico (10-1) 31 at Parth Com, £1222, good, Apr 13, 6 ran) with BUSIC SE MAGIC (12-6) a well beaten 5th. CLAY HELL (10-7) 11 % 5th to Pridents Boy (10-7) at Liverpool (2rr, E17510, soft, Apr 8, 13 ran). MEDICLECUR (10-10) beet MILERIC (16-7) 21 at Wetherby (2m 50yd, 23655, good to soft, Apr 4, 6 ran).

MRJSSC: ISE MAGAIC (10-12) certier beat Summons (11-10) 2½ here (2m 41, 24536, good to soft, Oct 21, 7 ran).

DOUBLETON (11-10) best Broad Besm (11-2) 12 at Chepstow (2m, 22288, good to soft, Apr 4, 4 ran).



PONTEFRACT

Selections

By Our Newmarket By Mandarin Correspondent 2.45 James Payne. 2.45 Absent Minded. 3.20 Meedaf. 3.50 SCHOOL CONCERT (pap). 3.20 Foggy Dew. 3.50 SCHOOL CONCERT (map). 4.25 Our Eliaso. 5 00 Bluff Cove. 5.35 Grand Tier.

By Michael Seely 4.25 Our Elieso. 5.35 Grand Tier. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 4.25 OUR ELIASO.

Draw: 5f-6f, low numbers best Going: good 2.45 TOTE PLACEPOT MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,157: 51) (18 runners) _ B Crossley

K Hodgson — K Darley — R Cockrane — M Birch — J Carroll ... N Carliele Deen McKrown R P Ellett hell (7) _____ J Love _____ L Chemock _ Daie Gibeon (5) _____ A Mackay _____ G Carter BETTING: 100-30 James Payne, 5-2 Coast Road Star, Specemate Girl, 7-1 Absent Minded, 8-1 Bellont Princess, 10-1 Bolin Gorgeous, 14-1 Pansong, Shught's Image, 18-1 others. 1987: IMPERIAL KING 9-5 R Fox (7-4 tay) W Jervis 12 ran

3.20 CORNMARKET SELLING HANDICAP (£943: 1m 2f) (18 runners) BETTING: 11-4 Design Wise, S-2 Meedaf, 11-2 Foggy Dew, 6-1 Tina's Beauty, 12-1 Siver Sleek, 14-1 Valvet Fight, The Overright Man, Peorglow, 18-1 Rose Meedow, Angus Princess, 20-1 others.

1967: COSMIC FLIGHT 4-8-0 M Wigher (100-30 fev) M Usher 17 ren

Course specialists



202-112 BAJAM SUNSKINE 17 (D.BF.F.Q.S) (P Green) F Winter 9-12-6.
329-110 DESERT FOX 27 (CD.BF.F.Q.S) (R Russell) R Russell 10-12-6.
11-1243 OBSERVE 17 (CD.BF.F.Q.S) (R Bott Ltd) F Winter 12-12-6.
121-22F THREE COUNTIES 13 (C.F.S) (Mass K Rimel) Mrs M Rimel 11-12-2-21 WINAT'S VOURS 16 (Q.G.S) (G Goldings) G Glodings II 1-12-6.
0-7210P YOU'RE WELCOME 12 (F.G.S) (S Embricos) J Gifford 12-12-6.
0379-3 TOUCH OF FUN 45 (T Warner) T Warner 8-12-0. BETTRIC: 15-8 Observe, 9-4 Three Counties, 7-2 Bajan Sunshine, 7-1 You're Welcome, 12-1 Desert Fox, 15-1 What's Yours, 33-1 Touch Of Fun. 1987: RASHLEIGH BOY 15-11-7 | Widdicombe (2-1) H Widdicombe 5 (81) FORM BAIAN SIRBHINE (12-10) SI 2nd to Vision (12-10) at Towcester (3m 190y, 21075, good, April 4, 5 ran).

THREE COUNTIES (12-0) best judged on 2 2nd to Certain Light (12-0) at Chetanham (3m 2), 210588, soft, Mar 17, 9 ran) with OBSERVE (12-0) 22½ laway in 48h. DESERT FOX (12-11) best effort penultimate start besting Hot Fever (12-4) 1/1 at Standown (3m 118y, £1328, good, Mar 11, 11 ren).

OSSERVE (12-8) 15/3rd to Golden Casino (12-12) at Fakantium (3m, £1500, son, April 4, 10 ran). YOU'RE WELCOME (12-0) best effort 8i beating of OBSERVE (12-0) at Cheltanham (3m, 5905, soft, Ma. 3, 11 san). Selection: THREE COUNTIES 4.20 CHELTENHAM JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £2,127; 2m) (10 runners) 213 BLANTON RESERVE 97 (D,S) (J Colins) N Henderson 11-7
22114 SAWDUST JACK 17F (D,S) (M W Easterby) M W Easterby 11-7
122022 LYPHENTO 9 (D,BF,S) (H Josq) J GMicro 11-3
19 NELTAMA 19 (D,BF,S) (F Gliman) R Wesver 11-3
101025 SEA ISLAND 5 (D,BF,O,S) (R Warren) M Pipe 11-2
13 FLUTTER MONEY 25 (D,G) (R Dolar) A Hoks 11-0
000 GIFTED MEPHEW 42 (Whitcombe Manor Racing Ltd) N Mitchell 11-0
44002 TRIBUTE TO YOUTH 19 (R Green) D Nicholson 11-0
4200 TABELISMA 17 (S Cooper) 0 Eleworth 10-9
502 TOMPS LITTLE BET 17 (T Staddon) W Williams 10-9
SETTIMG: Evens See Island, 7-2 Flutter Money. 11-2 Sawdust Jack, 10-1 Bien Deliamy (7)

1967: ROCMAR 11-3 S Sherwood (7-2) J Jenkins 13 ran FORM SLANTON RESERVE (11-7) 1434 3rd for Record Flight (11-0) at Ascot (2m 4t, heavy, Jan 15, 13 ran). Faraway Lad (11-0) at Liverpool (2m, £7916, good. April 7, 14 ran). FLUTTER MONEY (10-12) best Bedhar (10-12) 1%1 at Luciow (2m, £907, good, Mar 3, 17 ran) penultimate start. SAWDUST JACK (11-4) 211 4th to Royal Musion (11-10) at Haydock (2m, £4871, good to soft, Mar 5, 13 TABELLINA (10-10) 17% 5th to War Dencer (11-0) at Wincanton (2m, £1300, good to soft, April 4, 8 ran). NELTABLA (10-7) best effort 11 victory over Invasion (10-7) at Nottinghem (2m, heavy, Feb 15, 16 ran).

SEA ISLAND (10-7) best judged on 61 2nd to

4.55 GEORGE III NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (£4,110: 3m 1f) (11 runners) 25 GEORGE: III NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (ZA,110: 3ml 1f) (11 runners)

1 131FUU DAD'S GAMBLE 14 (D,0,5) (R Ghider) J Gifford 7-11-11 R Rove

2 12312 MAJESTIC BUCK 15 (F,0,5) (D Puelos) S Christian 0-11-4 P Tack

5 10813 PENEROXESHIRE LAD 5 (D,5) (T Werner) R Lee 7-11-6 B Dowling

2 27217 NOVAL CEDAR 14 (D,F,5) (J Curtis) Mrs M Rimel 7-10-11 (Ged, Mrs at Jacobson 0 D Browne 0 River) GURTEEN WOOD 50 (F,0,5) (Mrs C Heath) G Sherwood 0-10-4 S Sherwood 241579 BUTTON YOUR LEP 18 (B,0,5,5) (Mrs C Heath) G Sherwood 0-10-4 S Sherwood 0 SHEET SUCKANEER 62 (W Whitbread) Mrs M Rimel 8-10-1 P Scudamore 3-2420 CHEF SUCKANEER 62 (W Whitbread) Mrs M Rimel 8-10-1 P Scudamore 3-2420 CHEF SUCKANEER 62 (W Whitbread) Mrs M Rimel 8-10-1 Mr M Annytage 3-2232 POLAR ROMAD 7 (BF) (J Stodam Lidy) W A Stephenson 7-10-0 Mr M Annytage 3-2232 POLAR ROMAD 7 (BF) (J Stodam Lidy) W A Stephenson 7-10-0 C Graud 3-11-0 G Graud 8-11. Long handicip: Poler Nomel 6-11, Cool Ground 8-11. DETTINK: 6-2 Malestic Buck. 7-2 Surbaem Tabot. 5-1 Tenesaint. 6-1 Rovel Coder. 6-1 Poler No

BETTING: 5-2 Majestic Buck, 7-2 Sunbeam Talbot, 5-1 Tenesaint, 6-1 Royal Coder, 6 Gurleen Wood, 12-1 Ded's Gamble, 14-1 others. 1987: WOODSEE ROAD 7-10-9 R Dunwoody (100-30) D Nicholson 6 ran FORM DAD'S GAMBLE has failed to complete since (11-7) beating Southernair (11-0) 21 at Sandown (2m 44 68yd, £3215, good to soft, Feb 19, 11 ran) with CREEF BUCKAMEER (11-0) 107/3 5th.

MAJESTIC BUCK (11-4) 234 2nd to Selfron Lord (11-8) at Ascot (2m 4f, £1 1548, good, Apr 6, 3 ran). PEMBROKESHIRE LAD (10-7) & 3rd to Handy Trick (10-12) at Bangor (3m, £5990, good, Apr 16, 7 ran). TENESAINT (11-6) best Barrysville (10-8) '%I at

GURTEEN WOOD (11-11) bear Cheeky Rupert (11-4) 4l at Worcester (3m, £2229, good to firm, Mar 2, 17 ran). SUNBEAM TALBOT (11-6) best Goodman Point (11-10) an easy 121 at Newbury (2m 4f, £3356, heavy, Mar 25, 10 ran). POLAR NOMAD (11-0) 2% 2nd to Laid Back (11-7) at Perth (3m, £1745, good, Apr 14, 9 ran). Selection: SUNBEAM TALBOT

5.30 AMATEUR RIDERS ASSOCIATION NH FLAT RACE (Div I: 9865: 2m) (30 runners) DT THE MERRY GAMBLER 26 (p.5) (Mrs D Jenks) M Pipe 0-11-15 R Michelos (7) —

8 EQDON HEATH 15 (Mrs H Fullerton) Mrs W Fullerton 5-11-6 S Conton (7) O FIN D'ESPOIR 52 (Mrs Y Alleop) R Dickin 5-11-6 MJ Jones (7) FRAMFIELD (Mrs I McKle) Mrs I McKle S-11-6 Mrs T HIII (7) —

JUMMY SHAMD (Mrs D Whiteker) G W Richards 5-11-6 Mr P Doyle (7) JIMMY SHAMD (Mrs D Whiteler) G W Richards 5-11-6 A O'Brien (7)

L'YNCHWOOD 12 (J Cooper) B Smart 5-11-6 A O'Brien (7)

ARR MAYFAIR (Mayfair Amuseament Machines) J Edwards 5-11-6 D Torga (4)

MEWHOLINE FARM (R Howe) Jimmy Filogenial 5-11-6 Mrs (7)

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SPORT

Smiling Ballesteros composes himself for a return to form

You would think, to see must be reserved until a more Severiano Ballesteros yesterday, that he had not a care in the world. He had just completed a round of 65, seven under par, in the pro-am introduction to the Cepsa Madrid Open and was all smiles under a beaming sun.

But if his game appears to be in good order, what of his morale, after the depressing experience of missing the 36hold cut at Cannes last week? Golf is very much a game of the mind, too, and only the next four days will show whether or not he has suffered serious damage.

He has at least satisfied himself that there were mitigating circumstances. He said yesterday that, after the Masters at Augusta, he had been drained, but the horrors of international travel had then confined him to airports for nine hours. "I was too tired, not ready for another tournament so sooo. Anyway, anyone can play badly for one

His rapid departure from the Cannes Open at least gave him the chance of prolonged practice. "I had to compose the whole thing," he says. Yesterday's play suggests that he may have found the right formula, though judgement

serious challenge confronts him today.

Puerta de Hierro is a happy hunting ground for Balles-teros, with victories in 1980 and 1982, with, more recently,

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third place in 1987 and second io 1986. Not that a man with his degree of pride is ever satisfied with anything less than first.

That position last year went to Ian Woosnam, whose absence this week has caused resentment. He has secured his release from the PGA European Tour in order to play in the Houston Open next week, but that would not have prevented him from observing the etiquette of defending a title here this

What has kept him away from Madrid is an event of purely financial, even meretricious, attraction at Phoenix, Arizona, a one-day "skins" tournament for the benefit of television involving Greg Norman, Jack Nicklaus and Lee Trevino.

Woosnam would not have been able to play here on Sunday and at Phoenix the following day. In opting for the "skins" tournament, in which lucrative prize-money is awarded for each hole, he is not in breach of any rules of the European tour, since it is not regarded as an official event and one therefore requiring a release from Europe.

Woosnam's popularily would ordinarily be enough to ward off any criticism, but it does seem, from his performances so far this year, that he is being diverted from his true purpose in order to capitalize his prodigious deeds of

The course was lashed by rain last week, which should place a premium on length. That should be to the advantage of Howard Clark, of Yorkshire, who has a good record here. Rodger Davis, of Australia, and Mark McNulty, of Zimbabwe, last week's win-ner in Cannes, may well complete a significant cosmo-

FISHING

Putting the wet-dry fly to the test

By Courad Voss Bark

The best of the fishing on the chalk streams should be part of the season, when the water is still cold and the nymphs are pretty well down with their overcoats on, not feeling at all like splitting themselves into a the the day can be selves into a fly, the day can be hard going.

A man who had something to say about encouraging fish at such a time to take the surface fly was John Waller Hills, who died exactly 50 years ago. He was an MP, at one time a junior minister, but I think his interest in politics was slight and his interest in fishing was intense.

I believe he was a member of the Houghton Club, certainly he fished the Test above and below

wrote evocatively about it in several books, most of which are out of print, though a reprint of his A Summer on the Test may

There are times, which we all know, when natural flies are a bit scarce on the water. Halford would have sat on a seat and waited for a rise and then would fish the true dry fly. Not so Waller Hills. He had only the

He would find a fish in sight somewhere and put a dry fly over it to see what happeoed. It would be ignored. Either the fish was asleep or taking nymph and did not want to know. So Hills would bring out bis secret weapon, the Orange Partridge.

The partridge, of course, is what we have always called a

wet fly and has its origin in the Dales, where it is fished on a cast of three upstream in the classie oorthern style. For Waller Hills, what was good enough for Yorksbire was good enough for

So he would fish the Orange Partridge as a dry fly but not quite as a dry fly. It was fished in the surface film, where it sug-gested either a spinner or an emerger. It was not io any way a wet fly and yet on the other hand it was not dry because it was not cocked or riding on its hackles. It was a betwixt-and-between

fly which Horace Brown of the Piscatorials described in the classic phrase as a fly that was slightly damp. It brought up trout for Waller Hills, which were distinctly dour and would not take the traditional dry fly.

At the top of the heap



Good sports: Winner of the Tour de France, professional cyclist, Stephen Roche, of Ireland, and Steffi Graf, the West German world No. 2 tennis player, posing after being chosen European sports personalities of 1987 by the European Sports Press Association

bourg at the weekend. Scot-land's only wio was against the French Juniors (6-15, 15-5, 15-8,

Scotland had not played to-gether for 10 months before the

Luxembourg, who beat Scot-land, 15-5, 4-15, 7-15, 15-7, 15-

11, had played 10 internationals since last year's event. Scot-

land's other match, against Israel Juniors, ended in a 10-15, 15-5, 12-15, 13-15 defeat.

VOLLEYBALL

Championship likely to take on new shape

By Roddy Mackenzie presently have individual

With the West European men's and women's championships starting in Gothenburg and Athens respectively this Sunday, the future format of the event could be called ioto question with the EEC Games likely to go ahead oext year.

The stronger nations in Western Europe have outgrown the championships within the last 10 years and France and West even third string teams to the event in the past.

Whether such nations would contione to support the champiooships if an EEC Games were added to an already full international programme would be in some doubt, and there would be the added

ROWING

British squad relaxes at Italian regatta

After a lough and intensive training camp, a British squad of 38 oarsmen and 12 oarswomen will compete in 21 events in the Piedluco Memorial Paolo d'Aloja intenational regatta io Italy this weekend, though mainly in events other than their speciality (Jim Railtoo writes). With England's sector men not travelling to Gothenburg, the focus will be on the womeo's team, which faces Portugal, France and Cyprus in its openality (Jim Railtoo writes). Steve Redgrave and Andy coach to Scotland's senior men's team, was not too despondent after his side's fifth placing in the Six Nations Cup to Luxem-

Holmes, Britain's principal Olympic medal hopes, have opted out, and so have the meo's coxed four, though Redgrave's wife, Ann, competes to the circle coulder. io the single sculls. An unusual combination will be Gavio Stewart, of Oxford University, the heaviest and tallest man to row in the Boat Race, in a coxless pair with Jim

Garman, this year's president of Cambridge University Boat Club. Piedluco is such a popular training centre that 27 nations could take part on the same "fun" basis as Great Britain. Physical education under review

School study finds cause for concern in new curriculum

The Government inquiry into sport in state schools will report the authors' anxiety that the new use animors surviery that the new national curriculum will restrict the amount of physical edu-cation in teaching time.

The survey, which has been carried out by a forum ted by the Sports Council, is to be published next month and expresses the worry that the five per cent minimum teaching time devoted to physical education in the national curriculum may become The report, which was ommissioned in 1986 by the

Department of the Enviro and the Department of Edu-cation and Science following the controversy about the decline of team sports in schools, will be an sment to the Govern ment as the Education Bill goes In the bill there are 10

subjects, including physical edu-cation, which have to be taught between the ages of five and 16. This is expected to make up about 70 per cent in most

I also understand that the Sports Council report proposes a radical new structuring of teaching sport and physical education, which will need the redirecting of resources into fresh areas by local authorities. The forum, which includes representatives from the Central representatives from the Central Council of Physical Recreation, local authority associations, coaching and education bodies, particularly recommends the need for closer links between school and community.

Local authorities should have a number of qualified special-ists, who would teach both in a number of schools and clubs in particular regions. This would assist the identification of talent, allow greater use of resources and facilitate children joining clubs while still at school.

This plan to improve the identification and nartaring of ability will certainly please Colin Moynihan, the Minister for Sport. His recent trip to East Germany showed him that its sporting success owed less to superb facilities and more to the

By John Goodbody

Although this proposal of the forum lacks the intensity of the forum lacks the intensity of the East German system and many people will be thankful for this—it has much to commend it in a modified form. The policy has already been tried in a few sports and a few areas of Britain, For example, Wolverhampion's three world judo championships three world judo championships three world judo championships three world jodo champosings medal winners, Elvis Gondon, Densign White and Kerrith Brown, have come from just such a system with their coach "Mac" Abbott linking schools

and clubs.
The report stresses the un portance of the link between schools and local clubs and suggests that the youth service could also play a vital role in this system outside regulation school hours. The emphasis will thus be not so much on school sport

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In primary schools, the report
recommends specialist teachers
who can give pupils a good
grounding in skills like athlotics. grouning in skins like at anothing and "movement education". There should therefore be a general all-round physical training rather than having enthusiastic teachers organize games like rounders and teaming.

and teams.

The forum's report follows the desk study, also commissioned by the Government, which was written by Klizabeth Murdech, a distinguished educationalist and head of the Chelsea School of Human Movement. This has found "no evidence" of any philosophy that is against teampetition in physical education despite widespread allegations to the contrary. to the contrary.

to the contrary.

She accepted there had hears decline in the formal programme on inter-school representative matches. However, she pointed out the confusion and misinfer-pretation between this decline and competition as in integral-ner of many always all activities. part of many physical activities in which, she said, there has

been no change.

She said: The proposing of any direct, careful relationship between any of these factors and competition is to distort the situation. What is clear is that there is not a new and emerging philosophy within physical edu-cation that is anti-connectition."

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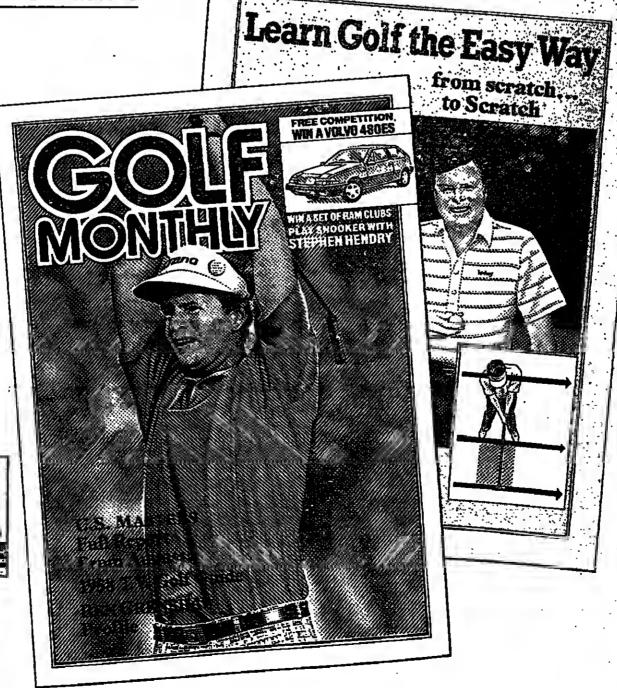
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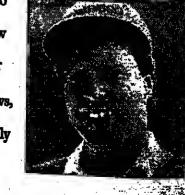
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RUGBY UNION

Avenging Scots

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By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

Scotland and Wales opened their under-21 series of internationals last season. It was not a good beginning for the Scots, who lost 39-19 at Wrexham, but they have the opportunity—as the oldest of the four home unions to run an international team at this level—to make lead the deficit at Murrayfield.

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FOOTBALL: ASTON VILLA MANAGER BACK IN THE SPOTLIGHT AS HIS TEAM STRUGGLES FOR PROMOTION FORM

Home truths haunt Taylor as play-off hopes begin to fade

This weekend Graham Taylor into the limelight the former begins what may be the most demanding period of his man-Watford manager's individual style of direct football, which agerial career as he attempts to some regard as automatically resurrect Aston Villa's promomore effective on opponents' tion prospects. grounds where there is more space behind defences. The home game against Shrewsbury Town on Sat-urday, followed by Bradford City at Villa Park, and then

Newport forced to

face grim reality

Swindon away, provide a club that once seemed champion-

elect with a decreasing chance of making the play-offs.

Millwall's midweek victory

The prospect of two home

games out of three would be

reassuring to other managers

but in Taylor's case they could

prove an embarrassment.

Villa have amassed almost

double the amount of points

away from home as they have at Villa Park where they have

lost their last three games, at

the most crucial stage of the season, to Leeds, Stoke and

Barring the type of miracle that would be asking a lot of Roy of the Rovers, Newport County will be playing their football outside the Barciays League next sea-

son. If they are playing at all.

Not only is the future of the fourth division's bottom chab as bleak as some of the surrounding South Wales landscape, but it is so vague that no one seems

to have the slightest idea of whether the club will survive, and if it does, of what league it will compete in next season.

Talk is of "various interested parties" being lined up to inject the cash which the club so

urgently needs to pay its debts, but those parties have only so long to show the colour of their

money if Newport are to con-tinue in the Abacus Welsh League or the GM Vauxhall Conference, which does at least

With no thriving social club,

Newport cannot hope to survive on their lottery and lifeline schemes to supplement already poor gates, which are certain to dwindle further.

It was not until the homeward

It was not until the nomeward journey from Torquay in the early hours of yesterday that the club resigned; itself to the fate that had seemed inevitable long ago. Mathematically, salvation is still possible. Torquay United's 6-I victory left New-port needing to win their five

remaining games and make up a 28-goal difference on Carlisle,

who would also have to lose five

Not even a team of hardened

Welsh professionals would be expected to achieve that. With a

squad including five youngsters from the Youth Training Scheme and only one, Steve Tupling, over the age of 20, Newport have belatedly come to

"Many people thought we threw in the towel too carly," David Williams, the club's 22ud manager since the war, said as the coach sped back towards the Severn Bridge, fish and chips long since digested. "But the club had to survive. That's why they sold their players. Maybe

they sold their players. Maybe

BOXING

GLASCOM: Ught welterweight (10 mds): George Balgne (Edinburgh) bi Michael Manaden (Leekis), to 1st rnd. Lightweight (10mds): Stree Boyle (Glasgow) bt Mark Brannon (US), rac 4th. Welterweight (12 mds for Commonwealth Championship): Gary Jacobs (Glasgow) bt Witt Gentzen (Aus), pts.

BLACKPOOL: George Wimpey: ASA Clampiesships Bettleb sessi-timate: Light threelight: Regard (Wates) bit I Ling (North West Counties), par, M Carthwell (London) bit W Rocherty (Soc), w/o. Fly: J Lyon (North West Counties) bit Jennicks (Males), ref 1st 0 Docherty (Soc) as M Clerk (London), pts.

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Counties) bt A Kilvan (Well, bo 1st. Lightwelfar: A Hall (NE Counties) bt M Smyth (Well,
pts.; J Taibot (London) bt J Pender (Sco). Pts.

Welter: M McCreph (Midland Counties) bt J Hudo (Wales), pts., R Willoman (Comb Services) bt P Dobn (Soo), pts. Light-saddle: W Bills (Wales) bt N Brown (Midland Counties), rec 2nd; W Mell (NE Counties) bt J Alison (Soo), rac 1st. Nilodie: N Piper (Wel) bt P Busby (Midland Counties), pts. M Edwards (Coup Services) bt G Welson (Soo), pts.

Light-heavy: H Lawson (Sco) bt T Deon (London), pits: M Corre (NW Courties) bt O Hitchings (Wales), w.o. Heavy: H Hyton (Western Courties) bt O Fearn (Wales), pits: H Aldewsonde (London) bt R Merun (Sco), rac Super heavy: K McCormack (Wales) bt C Milchell (Middland Counties), drsq. 2 Woolspion (Western Counties) bt L Mickell (Market) bt C Lawsonde (London) bt L Mickell (Middland Counties), drsq. 2

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terms with reality.

has widened the gap at the top just when Villa's form is at its

most vulnerable.

Taylor, however, insists that in the remaining games and, possibly, in the play-offs, Villa's pattern will remain the

"We have attempted to play the same style, home and away, throughout the season," he said. "Nothing will be changed. The difference between our home results and those away from home remains a mystery. I always said that we would gradually change the trend because nobody goes all through winning more games away, but we seem to be doing so.

"There was once talk of a home jinx, but we went for a spell in mid-season when our results at Villa Park were very

Taylor, the theorist, bas a The situation has thrown personal view of why his

they should have gambled by not

Like so many struggling out-fits, Newport can point to an impressive list of players they

have let go. Among those who have departed from Somerton

first two years. That was right.

Now we have six or seven making their debuts at 16 or 17

"That's why we are where we

"You couldn't fault them for

lack of effort or spirit," Wil-liams observed. "But they've experienced in nine months what

other players don't achieve in a

lifetime. It will fetch the charac-

FOR THE RECORD

FOOTBALL

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ter out of them."

reducing the dressing-room area and also of making the whole operation here feel closer knit," he said. Selection worries

players lose their touch at home. "This ground has been

arena and it is marvellous for that purpose," he explained. "But even when we have a

good League gate of 20,000 Villa Park is still half-empty

and can seem very cold and

"When we take our large contingent to other grounds we often virtually fill them, and with increased home sup-

port and this produces a far

more favourable atmo-

Taylor believes there is another side to this particular argument. "When smaller

clubs come here to this fine,

big stadium, it often gives them a lift, in contrast to our own team, who find it lacking

in atmosphere." Taylor also

believes that even the huge

"During the close season I

dressing-rooms are too large.

shall be looking at ways of

lacking in atmosphere.

By George Ace

for Coyle

ceded two goals that should never have been scored. But we will get it right for Saturday, you can depend on that," Coyle said after the 2-0 defeat against the

have departed from Somerton Park over recent years, are: Aldridge (Liverpool), Tyman (Plymouth), Lowndes (Barnsley), Aizlewood (Leeds), Jones (Reading), Kendall (Wolverhampton Wanderers), Vangham (Cardiff 'City), Elsey (Gillingham), Onkes (Fulham), Freestone (Chelsea), Cooper (Plymoath) and Palis (Bomnemooth). still win the championship itself, has selection problems for the league game against Ballymena United on Saturday. His captain, Jeffrey, is under suspension and Spiers, who had an outstanding game in Linfield's 1-0 win at the Oval over Glentoran in last Saturday's vital League game, developed fluid on the koee and is on crutches. The difference, as Williams pointed out, was that Newport, enlike most of their rivals, rarely brought in the odd seasoned professional to help out. The front was that the one they did have, Gibbins, was allowed to go ... to Torquay, who benefited with a goal from him on Tuesday.

Tuesday.

Williams, who played more than 350 games for Newport, for whom he has since served as assistant manager, coach and physiotherapist, recalled the patience he had to exercise in his early days as a player. "In my day a youngster would get maybe six or seven games in his first wears. That was right "I have not completely ruled Spiers out of Saturday's game, but he is obviously doubtful," Coyle said. Alan Dornan, however, is available after suspension and that cases my problems."

his first season as player-man-ager, in 1975-76 — and has by no means conceded the League title to Glentoran. They have a difficult task away as Colraine on Saturday, and the pressure of having to win to clinch the title

are." Or, as Bill Lucas, New-port's former luminary, who has been invited along to the last few matches, put it: "Experience is the greatest teacher to them that knows it all." Lucas, according to Williams, could afford a signing of decent calibre every 18 months 'during his three spells in charge, None of which is intended to detract from the endeavours of those youngsters, who established an early control at Plainmoor, only to be exposed, as they have been so often in recent months, by their lack of staming. Peter Withe, the former England forward, is planning to resume his playing career to help Shef-field United in their struggle against relegation. Withe has not played since December, when doctors found a blood clot in his colf. in his calf.

> League matches and, if necessary, the play-offs.

Roy Coyle, the Linfield man-ager, was a disappointed man after watching his team bow out at the quarter-final stage of the County Antrim Association's centenary tournament. "Our second-half performance was slipshed and our defence con-

Irish champions elect, Glentoran, at Windsor Park. But Coyle, whose team can still win the championship itself,

Coyle has failed only once to take Linfield into Europe - in will not make things any casier."

Withe returns

to the fray

After treatment, he has been cleared to play and will be available for United's last two

ICE HOCKEY NORTH AMERICA: Stealey Cap play-etts Second count (best-of-seven series); North divisions Destrict Red Ways 5, 21 Louis Stees 4 (Detroit land 1-0), Sarytise division: Edmonton foots 5, Calgary Plantes 1 (Edmonton lead 1-0).

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(Arg) bit A Hollstore (C2), 6-1, 6-1; C Van
Rentsburg (GA) bit O Feber (US), 5-7, 8-2, 8-2;
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J Franker (Aus) bit G Laryer (US), 6-7, 6-3,
6-4; E Telescher (US) bit Y Jin-sun (S Kor), 3-8,
6-3, 6-2; J Rive (P Ricc) bit C Balley (GB), 6-7,
6-2, 6-4; T Nelson (US) bit M Angest (US), 5-3,
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6-3;

6-3, 6-3; G Holman (US) bt A Agrissi (US), 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

QUEENTS CLUB, Londons MT-Tech International Satellian Circle First round; Hiere R Glosar (Fr) bt. J Turner (Avor), 6-4, 8-1: P Weistess (Xen) bt M Ozer (US), 6-3, 6-2: A Dathon (if) bt D Feigans (Essa), 4-6, 5-3, 8-3; O MacBrida (US) bt C Clark (Bucks), 6-2, 5-3; Restinand (Ava) bt 3 Cole (Surrey), 6-1, 6-4; O Bron (Leica) bt C Turner (Ava), 1-5, 6-3, 5-4; T Bischol (Austria) bear S Samson (Fr), 6-4, 3-6, 6-2; V Ranson (Essa) bt J Fission (Bel), 6-4, 6-3, 8-1, 6-6; Esmann (Bel), 6-3, 1-6, 6-2; P Pach (Fr) bt C Beacher (Kard), 6-1, 6-5; Weistess bt Debond, 6-2, 6-3, Missions: First round: P Thoren (Fin) bt J Tacon (Nortols), 6-2, 6-4; G Bernstein (US) bt M Yamanda (Jap), 8-4, 6-0; C Bonner (Fr) bt CGrastinal (Jap), 8-4, 6-1; C Debiman (Swe) bt A Hill (Debond), 7-6, 5-4, 6-5; Godman (Surrey) bt F Hugomet (Fr), 8-4, 8-1; C Debiman (Swe) bt A Hill (Debond), 7-6, 5-4, 6-4. Supplied (Fr) bt C Linneman (WG), 2-6, 6-4, 6-3; J Lous (Debond) by A Radica (Arg), 3-6, 8-4, 6-4. Second count F Thoren (Fr)) bt C Urisionan (Ire), 6-3, 6-1.



Harford the heart-breaker

By Dennis Signy

Ray Harford, the Laton Town manager, is preparing for the hardest task of his managerial career this weekend - telling two of his regular players that they will not be in the side for the Littlewoods Cup final against Arsenal at Wembley.

"I think I have got to break somebody's heart by telling him he is not playing," Harford told a Football Writers' Assocation lanch meeting yesterday. The moment of truth will come when the Luton players train on Saturday 24 hours before the

Heart-break for two could mean joy for Kingsley-Black, a-teemaged winger who has had only a handful of League games and has attracted the attention of Billy Bingham, the Northern Ireland manager, and about whom Harford waxes enthusias tic and eloquent. He likens him in style to Arnold Muhren, the

BARCLAYS LEARLE: First division: Coverey 1, Everion 2: Luton 2: Queen's Park Rangers 1: Watford 1, Newcastle 1; Wimbledon 2, Portsmouth 2, Second divisions Bournemouth 1, Milwest 2; Huddersheld 2, Oldram 9; Sheffield United 1, Phymouth 0, Third divisions Aldershol 3, Nansfeld C; Chestarfield 2, Brantlend 1; Fourth divisions Bolton 0, Sounthorpe 0; Cambridge 1, Hartlepool 1; Carlsie 1, Helliex 1; Coichester 1, Herstord 0; Stootport 1, Ourlington 1; Torquey 6, Newport 1.

SHERPA VAN TROPHY: Southern final: Second Jeg: Wolverhampton 3, Notis County 0. Wolverhampton win 4-1 on agg.

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Bath 2, Uncoln 1; Rumorm 1, Alminchem 1; Wealdstone 2, Northwish 2.

WELSH FA CUP: Semi-Real: Second leg: Wrexhem 3, Kidderminster 2, Wrexhem

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield Wednesday 1, Sunderland 5; Grimsby 0, Aston Villa 2. Second division: Rotherism 3, Sloke 0.

Dutch international, who played for Ipswich Town and Manches-Although Harford would only

cautionsly admit "I would love to be brave enough to put him in", it is almost certain that be will nse Black wide on the left to provide Mick Harford with the service on which he thrives. "He is an old-fashioned wide play-er. Harford said. "Mick is always saying be should be in the team."

Ricky Hill, the England inter-national, who has been out of action since Boxing Day with a broken leg and damaged ankle ligaments, is likely to regain his place after two reserve matches and a game at Wembley in the centenary celebrations. But Harford is anlikely to risk Preece, another long-term injury victim, who returned to the side against Queen's Park Rangers

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Ashtord v Fareham, postponed;
Whenhall O, Cambridge Cay 3.

YAUKHALL OPEL LEAGUE: Premier division: Hayes 2. Bishops Stontord O;
Leytonstone-Sford 1, Leyton-Wingare 1:
Tooting and Militams 1, Yeovil 2. Flat division: Brackned Town 1, Boreham 1
Wood 7: Hampton 1, Stakes 0;
Lastherhaed 3, Utbridge 1; Lewes 3,
Stavenage O. Second division North:
Clepton 1, Ware 3; Hortford Town 2,
Haringey Borough 0; Lindworth GC 2,
Berkhamsted 1; Royston Town 2, Barton
Hovers C, Withem Town 2, Finchley 0.
Second division South: Challont 4,
Cambertey 1: Dorlding 3, Hungerford
Town 1; Epsom 0, Chensey Town 1.
HALLS HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier
division: Abingdon Utd 2, Morris Motors 2,
Children E, Ochol M. C. (18). Semi-Seak The Welsh Football Association els were not increased.

Casey's salary, £20,000, was

ENIGHT FLOODLIT CUP: Soud-final: Crawley 2, Dover 4.

FA YOUTH CUP: Seen-finat: First leg: Arsenal 1, Notingham Forest 1.

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: Tottenham 2, Norwich 0.

on Tnesday, and Hill together. Donaghy, carried off at Wembley during last weekend's festi-val of football, is "60-40" to play, in Harford's estimation. His other doubt is Sealey, the goalkeeper, who has n shoulder injury. "I will leave a decision as late as I can," Harford said.

The Laton manager, whose honest and open approach to questioners has won him many admirers, assessed the game as Arsenal's pace versus his side's Laton, he said, was Rocastle.

His reasons for making changes at Wembley are his side's disappointing results since their Simod Cup deleats summer. against Reading and the team's poor away form on grass. Perfor-mances had not been good enough for him to turn his back on players like Hill and Preece

Welsh seek financial aid

has made a plea to the Sports Council of Wales for more financial assistance. A threeman sub-committee from the Welsh FA met the council yesterday and told it that the Welsh director of coaching. Terry Casey, would have to be made redundant if funding lev-

originally covered by the Council, but its grant has been reduced by 20 per cent. Alun Evans, the secretary of the Welsh FA, said large parts of the coaching programme would be jeopardized if the Council failed to increase its grant.

TENNIS

Lendl relieved to be back on court

From Richard Evans, Monte Carlo

A brave attempt at heroics by Christian Bergstrom, a speedy little Swede who is ranked 92nd in the world, enlivened Ivan Lendl's return to the grand prix circuit oo a cold, grey afternooo in the second round of the Volvo Monte Carlo Open vesterday.

Lendl won, 7-6, 7-5, but not before Bergstrom, using up ev-ery inch of the centre court as he sprinted after the Czech's raking drive, had given the world No. I all the match play he needed after a two-month lay-off with a

foot injury. Afterwards Lendl, in his elder statesman role, tried to play down the whole affair, but still did not bide his relief at being back where he belonged - oo a

Admitting that be had not his the ball as hard or as confidently as normal, Lendi insisted it was

a typical introduction to the clay-court season for him.

"At 20 or 22 I got upset when I did not win," be said. "But now I am a bit older I accept that you cannot play great all the time. I am sure I am going to lose some matches before the French Open, but that will not matter."

Lendl has become a past master at taking the pressure off himself, and went on to say: "I know there are some people in this room who think I am finished, and I really enjoy reading all that stuff at 7.30 over my breakfast." He was smiling wryly as he

said it, but deep down Lendi is a proud man and so far the year has not been an easy one for him. Partially because of the injury, he has yet to win a tournament and has become embroiled in some unpleasant legal battles in the United States where he is being sued for a total

was down and that's good, but I'm annoyed that I couldn't go

up the other step that I need.
RESULTS: First round (correction): M.
Javer (Ga) bt L Antonopis (US), 6-2,6-1.
Second round: A Minter (Aus) bt S.
Loosemore (GS), 6-0,5-7,6-4; M. Jappand (Aus) bt A De Vries (Bel), 7-5,6-3; C.
Baldam (Neth) bt G Femandez (P Rico), 4-6,6-4,8-3.

up the other step that I need.

Loosemore goes down after two-hour tussle

From Barry Wood, Singapore

Sarah Loosemore demonstrated whelmed, but once she settled yesterday bow fine a prospect she was able to stand on an she is by challenging Anne Minter, the Australian No. I who is ranked 24th in the world, for almost two hours in the second round of the DHL equal footing in the rallies, and used her forehand to good effect to unsettle the defending champion. "In the first set I was strug-Singapore Open, before losing 6-0. 5-7, 6-4 (Barry Wood writes). find the list set I was stagging to the heat, but by halfway through the second I got used to it and went for my shots more," she explained. "This has proved to me that I am up there with the top players. I played well when I was and that a mod but it was and that a mod but it."

Loosemore, aged 16 and still attending school at New College, Cardiff, played a full part in an exceedingly close match. Ranked 245, she recovered from a poor first set and a 5-3 deficit in the second, and still refused to give up the match when 5-1 down in the third.

In that first set, Loosemore rarely got into her stride and was in danger of being overof \$12.5 million, first by his former management company, Pro Serv, and second by a friend who alleges Lendl agreed to make a film with him and theo changed his mind. Given all that, it was not

surprising Lendl expressed a certain relief at being back on court. "I have done all the dirty work in the gym and on the bicycle, and now it is good to be back with the nice part, playing marches," he said.

Matches, "Ne Sald.
RESULTS: Second round: A Cheenokov (USSR) bt U Stenlund (Swe), 6-3, 6-4; J Arrese (Sp) bt S Zivojnovic (Yug), 6-2, 6-7, 6-4; M Jate (Arg) bt A Manchi (Arg), 6-2, 6-1; M Witander (Swe) bt N Kroon (Swe), 6-4, 6-2; K Carisson (Swe) bt R Osterthun (WG), 6-2, 6-4; ILendi (Cz) bt C Bergstrom (Swe), 7-6, 7-5.

ment in the under-21 inter-national) was capped against England this year while Hall, last year's captain, goes with the senior Welsh party to New Zealand this summer. Hitherto Wales have ex-pressed no interest in extending pressed no interest in extending their under-21 commitments, although England join the party next year when, for the first time, they will field an under-21 side, against Romania. There will also be an under-21 curtain-raiser to the John Player Special Cue final on April 30 when

Argentina

in favour

of SA tour

Buenos Aires (Reuter) - The Argentinian Government will not prevent its Rugby Union players from joining a world team to tour South Africa, a Foreign Ministry spokesman said on Tuesday.

"The Government can stop

teams from going to South
Africa but not individual players," the spokesman said, adding that the Foreign Ministry
had not received notice of any

invitations to Argentinian players to tour South Africa this

Last month, South Africa announced it would invite play-ers from seven rughy-playing rations, including Argentina, to make up a World XV to tour the

republic in 1988 and 1989. The first tour would start in August.

The proposed tour was in response to a decision in March by the International Rugby Board to lift a ban on individuals

Carlos Tozzi, the Argentinian

Rugby Union president, also said he had not heard of any

invitations to local players. Tozzi said he did aot know

whether South Africa would issue its favitations directly to

individual players or through the national unions.

However, he added that he bought it wolkely that South

Africa could get such a plan off the ground in a short time. He

playing in South Africa.

raiser to the John Player Special Cup final on April 30, when Yorkshire play Gloucestershire in the final of the junior county championship. scottland under-21: W wright (Keiso, captsm): A Stanger (Hawlot), J Thomson (Krikcaidy), M Wallor (Bristo University), A Redburn (Métoso): C Chaheers (Meiorse), M Taylor (Army and London Scotish): G Wilson (Boroughmur), K McKenzle (Stiring County), P Wright (Boroughmur), C Malone (Metropolitan Polico). O Murro (Glesgow Hgh)-Taylor, of the Army and London Scottish, comes in atscrum half and Dobson (Aber-deen University) at flanker, leaving only two survivors, Wilson (prop) and Watt (lock) from last year's match. Wales, likewise, have two players returning in Simon Davies (centre) and Griffiths (wing); (Boroughmur), C Malone (Metropolitan Police), O Murre (Glasgow High)-(Schinside), A Watt (Glasgow High)-(Schinside), K Dobson (Aberdeen Universny), B Remvick (Hawick), Replacements: N Metroy (Jed-Forest), B Hantley (Watsonians), C Hogg (Metrosa), R Young (Selfurk), O Cameron (Glasgow Academicals). D Roxburgh (Glasgow Academicals). they have also made an adjustment to their original selection, Adrian Davies withdrawing at stand-off half and Stevens

replacing him. Academicals). D Reasongs (casagow Academicals).
WALES UNDER-21: R Jones (Cardiff): R Wintle (London Wolsin). T Michael (Swatnese), S Davies (Llanelif). A Griffiths (Ebbw Vale); I Stevens (South Wales Police). C Bridges (Neath); J Mainwaring (Portypool, captain). L Phillips (Bridgend). R Buckley (Tredegar). E Lewis (Lanelif). Roy (Bristol University). M Langley (Bridgend). M Beanett (Swanssa). J Williams (Llanelif). Replacements: A Harries (Newbridge). P Roblin (London Welsh). A Booth (Neath). J Hadson (London Welsh). A Booth (Neath). J Hadson (London Welsh). P Riley (St Mary's College, Twickenham), M Spiller (Ebbw Vale). Referee: D Tempiston (Iraiand). Stevens, of the South Wales Police, has already been picked by the Combined Services and British Police for their tour to New Zealand next month and he will partner Bridges, who is contesting the scrum-half place with Booth in Neath's team for the Schweppes Welsh Cup final on May 7.

Many of the Welsh players have made their mark in senior club rugby this season, ootably

team at this level - to make good the deficit at Murrayfield

Unfortunately, they are with-out Gary Armstrong, the Jed-Forest scrum half who will tour

Forest scrum half who will tour Zimbabwe with Scotland in May. He damaged a kneetap playing in the bicentennial sevens in Sydney earlier this month and so misses the chance to partner again Chalmers, with whom he has formed a successful alliance. His brother, Kevin, is no more fortunate; he, too, is injured and has withdrawn from the Scottish back row.

the Scottish back row.

on Saturday.

Financial boost for ARU

By David Hands

The Australian Rugby Union, whose drive to involve com-merce and industry in its domestic game has increased dramatically during this decade, will receive a "healthy six-figure sum" from Ricoh Australia this year, in return for making the subsidiary of the Japanese camera firm its main sponsor.

Ricoh will sponsor not only the ARU's home internationals this year — against a World XV. England (two) and New Zealand (three) - but next autumo's tour to England and Scotland. In addition it will support New South Wales's games against England and New Zealand this'

Australia's international players will, therefore, sport the company's corporate logo on their traditional jerseys, becoming the first country able to take advantage of the oew Inter-national Rugby Football Board ruling regarding the size of such logos. At the annual meeting last month the board increased permitted trademarks from six. to nine square centimetres.

The New South Wales Rugby Union recently announced financial restructuring plan worth Aus\$15 million, backed by six leading backs, to stabilize Rugby Union within the state. Much of this is to guarantee completion of the new ground at Concord Oval, where the roofing of the east grandstand should be complete in time for the game against the World XV on May 15.

Ross Turnbull, one of Australia's two representatives on the IRFB, who has backed the move of international rugby in Sydney from the Sydney Cricket Ground to Coccord, said: "We will be completing Concord Oval into a home ground that will soon be as prestigious as the world's famous grounds such as Twickenham, Cardiff Arms Park and Eden Park."

said the 1988 international rughy calcudar was already full. African nations have threatened to withdraw from the Olympic Games in Seoul in

September if the tour proceeds.

Although no names have been mentioned, the invitations are likely to include Hugo Ports, the ber if the tour proceeds. Argentinian captain and fly half.

Porta, n respected player in South Africa where be has been several times as an individual can XV, was not available for comment on the proposed tours.

Good draw for Bristol

Simon Hogg, who has taken charge of Bristol's preparations for the Save and Prosper Middlesex seven-a-side tournament on May 7, was doubtless gravified to see that the draw for the finals has given his club a match against Exeter Universily, for whom he appeared four urnes in the competition when he was a student (David Hands writes).

In addition, Bristol have beaten the university — though not by much — in the two tournaments which form their build-up to the Middlesex event. They won 20-18 in the final of 14-10 on the way to winning the

Oxfordshire sevens (against Richmond) last weekend. The only newcomers to Twickenham on May 7 will be

Old Beccehamians, who meet Eton Manor. Harlequins, the Irish Loughborough University, who meet Wasps, have recently returned from a tour to the United States, where they lost two of their eight games and won the Philadelphia Media tournament.

DRAW: Rosslyn Park II v London Scottish I: Rosslyn Park I v London Scottish II: Wasps v Loughborough University: Exeter University v Bristol; Cork Constitution v Askeans: Old Beocehamlaris v Eton Manor: Worthing v Harlequins & London Insh v Harlequins L.





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White began the season

with two titles, the Rothmans

Grand Prix and the British

No. 12 seed. Rex Williams,

from five minutes to one hour.

enough." Tellez said.

"But that may still not be

"Carl can do four events,

but it would not be in his best

interest because he could get

hurt, being fatigued. I don't think he should have to run two rounds of the 200 and

compete in the long jump final

The revised schedule calls

in that short a time period."

for the first round of the 200 metres to be held at 11.00 a.m.

Seoul time, with the second round at 2.00 p.m. and the long jump final at 3.00 p.m.

Tellez would like a different

approach. "What they should

do is have both rounds of the

200 earlier in the day," he said, "Then Carl would have

all afternoon to recover and

then jump at night, as he did

TAC officials have already revised the US Olympic trials' schedule to provide six hours

between the second round of

the 200 metres and the long

jump final, and Tellez said

Lewis would attempt all four

what Carl wants to do in Seoul." he said. "You would

think they [the IAAF] would

want to encourage him to

compete in four events again, but they didn't do anything

with their first decision. It's

"Then we'll make a decision

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won't go on paying for an earnings related

loves the big stage."

Jimmy White's favourite daydream ends with Steve Davis sitting dejectedly in his chair while he. White, holds aloft the Embassy world snooker championship trophy at the end of a memorable final.

Stephen Hendry, however, will be uppermost in White's thoughts today when the pair meet in the first session of their three-day, best-of-25-frames second-round match.

Hendry, aged 19, the Scot-tish champion, has four chances to overhaul Alex Higgins as the youngest winner of the title. White having missed his chance by losing 16-15 to Higgins in the 1982 semi-

"Il look me aboul six months to get over that disappointment." White admitted. "I'd already been the youngest-ever English and. world amateur champion and if I had achieved the har-trick I would have set a record that I don't think could ever have

"I'm glad I'm playing Hendry in the early rounds 10-6. James wrote off his because if I ever win the world £7.000 BMW a week before championship I want to beat the championship and was

Davis to do it. Mind you, I'll lucky to survive with minor accept it if be doesn't get to the injuries.

He is in the position to afford a new car, for even if he White will be 26 on May 2. loses to Joe Johnson, the 1986 the last day of the final, and said: "I enjoyed it when I was champion, in the second round, he will have earned snooker's boy wonder but Stephen is the boy wonder now and I'm an old man. He £7,125; and he is also the front runner for the £9,500 highhas come through far more quickly than I did, be's taken hreak prize for his total clear-ance of 140 in the eighth frame the game by storm and surof the match.

> John Parrott, of Liverpool, also successfully negotiated the first round, beating War-ren King, the Australian champion, 10-4.

Open, both now in the pos-session of Hendry. White has lost their two tournament meetings this season but said: Best of 25 is a different matter. I'm going into the game with an open mind but if I play as well as I have been in Steve James marked his Crucible debut as the lowestranked player in the field at

world No. 67 by defeating the



Scunthorpe roll away from the slope

Lewis still unsure of Olympic target Houston (Reuter) - Even decision, which increased the

though the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) has put back the start of this summer's Olympic long jump final by 55 minutes, Tom Tellez, who coaches Carl Lewis, is still not convinced time to make a realistic bid for four gold medals at the

"I'm not saying he couldn't do it, but it's certainly not very feasible." Tellez said after learning of the IAAF decision made last weekend.

Tellez indicated he would ask United States athletics officials to file a second petition with the IAAF asking for additional time between the second round of the 200 metres and the long jump final, on September 26, before deciding whether Lewis should seek gold medals in the 100 metres, 200 metres, long jump and 4 x 100 metres

Lewis won gold medals in those events in the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles under a different timetable. and asked officials from The Athletics Congress (TAC), the American governing body, carlier this year to petition the IAAF to change its Olympics schedule to provide more time between the early rounds of the 200 metres and the long jump final so he could again allempt the four events.

That prompted the IAAF ridiculous,

pension scheme.

coupon today.

Thompson will not miss Seoul

By Pat Butcher Athletics Correspondent

Daley Thompson, going for an unprecedented third Olympic decathlon gold medal in Scool, said last night that he would nol be prepared to forgo that chance in defence of Zola

But Thompson accused the International Amateur Athletic Federation of "cheating" in the attempt to ban her and he urged the British Amateur Athletic Board to defend her.

Talking on BBC Television's Sportsnight, Thompson said: "I believe that the IAAF are cheating. They are changing the rules in order to make ends meet. If we don't defend her . . . because she is British, after all . . . they can change the rules at any time to get rid of anybody out of track

"What kind of governing indiscretion in one person and then threaten to ban a hundred ocent people?"

Asked about the attitude of the British board, Thompson said: "If they [the board] find amitted no crime, she has com she should be put in the team and be taken to Seoul."

But when Thompson was asked if he was prepared to miss the Olympic Games in Budd's defence, he said: "To be honest, at this point in time, no. I'm oot. And most of the people who say they would be happy (to do so) haven't a chance in hell of actually coming away with anything. My decisinn may have been different had she tried a little harder to mix and integrate and be one of us."

Sir Hector Munro, Sir Neil Macfarlane, Sir Eldon Griffiths and Richard Tracey, all former Sports Ministers, are among 113 signatories to Joho Carlisle's early day motion in the House of Commons arging the BAAB to reject the IAAF's should be suspended. The motion states: "Each govern-ing body should be able to select any competitor free from politcal or outside press particularly when that othlete is proved innocent of any offence under international rules".

Stadium to break new ground The finishing touches are being put to the

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first purpose-built Football League ground 10 be opened for 42 years, and as Scunthorpe United prepare to move from their famous, if dilapidated, Old Show Ground they may be the first in an exodus of clubs from valuable town and

The new arena built just yards from the foot of the M181, will hold 12,000 pectators, all under cover, and provide 1500 car parking spaces.

The scheme is the brainchild of Graham Pearson, the Scunthorpe chairman, who was within days of calling in the liquidators as debts piled up and the club faced an estimate of £350,000 lo bring the Old Show Ground up to the standards demanded by the safety regulations.

"Nobody wanted to help and we were genuinely down and out," Pearsoo said, He is head of a number of construction

companies, none of which, it should be said, are involved in the Scunthorpe, project. "Our only hope was to sell the ground but we had to get the planning permission for development and that look some doing with a final vote in the council chamber of 18-15 with four,

"But with that behind us we were able to sell to a supermarket chain for £2.9 million and bought the 15-acre site for £85.000 which was about half the price the council were asking for similar laod."

The total cost of the all-steel and concrete stadium will come out at £2.2 million but with success on the field this season the fourth division side will have risen again to face promotion in ideal surroundings and with money in the

The new ground, to be called Glanford Park, will open on August 14. "We are very proud of what we have achieved," Pearson said. "The construction is really based on the Meccano principle with various pieces able to be lifted out and replaced with bigger structures if they become necessary. We have special ramps for the disabled, a creche, and headphones for the blied and partially-sighted. We let children under 14 in free, if with an adult, there is close-circuit television for the police and even holding cells under

Scuetnorpe are hoping that the Footschemorpe are houng that the Prob-ball Grounds Improvement Trust will see fit to provide the money for a lift, necessary to meet council standards for the disabled. Few will regret the passing of the Old Show Ground, and certainly not the players, who can now perform on a surface without the seven foot slope. Already others are looking at the nuts and bolts of Pearson's inspiration, including the Hull Rngby League Club, and it cannot be long before teams with valuable sites sell up and move to the fringe, bringing prosperity for them and

Veivers out with

Smith dismissed by St Mirren

Alex Smith was dismissed as They also lost the Scotush manager of St Mirren yes-terday, II months after he time around, beaten by guided the club to a Scottish Cup success. The Paisley club, which sacked Smith's assistant, Jimmy Bone, last month, decided to release Smith because St Mirren have plunged close to the relegation

The move has resulted in a reshuffle at the club, with the chairman. Yulc Craig, resigning and Tony Fitzpatrick, the captain, taking over as player-manager until the end of the season.

Smith and Bone, who succeeded Alex Miller in December 1986, seemed prepared for a long and harmonious stay at Love Street after steering the club to a Scottish Cup triumph - the club's first significant trophy in 29 years.

However, the problems started when Bone was involved in a dressing-room allercation with a senior player, Frank McGarvey, in September, which ended in the dismissal of the assistant manager last month

Then the "lan Ferguson affair" involving Rangers was mishandled and, in recent months, St Mirren's form in the League has deteriorated.

Clydebank.

 Blackburn Rovers could be without their first choice left back, Chris Sulley, for the last four games of the second division promotion run-in. Sulley, who has been troubled by a nagging groin injury, has missed four of the last six games and could not appear io the Football League centenary lournament at wembley last

 Alan Shearer, aged 17, who scored a treble for Southampton against Arsenal earlier this month in his first full match, signed professional forms yesterday. Also signed on pro-fessional forms at the Dell today were the twins, Rodney and Raymond Wallace, aged IS and brothers of the firstleam forward, Danny Wallace.

• Ian Atkins, the Ipswich Town club captain, is to return to his native Midlands by signing for Birmingham City in a £30,000 deal. Atkins, aged 31, has decided to accept the offer of a move to St Andrews following a successful spelt on loan, when the club pulled clear of the second division relegation zone.

broken thumb

By Keith Macklin

St Helens yesterday became the latest top Rugby League club to be hit by the end-ofscason injury jinx. Their Australian full back, Phil Vcivers, has a broken thumb and will miss Sunday's Premiership first round tie against Castleford.

The second division club. Springfield Borough, have moved the kick-off time in their Premiership tie with Sheffield Eagles from 3 p.m. on Sunday 10 6.30 p.m. to avoid a clash with the first division Premiership game involving Wigan a few miles down the road.

Whitehaven have dismissed their coach, John McFarlane, after the former second row forward had spent just over six months in the job. McFarlanc took over from Phil Kitchin carly in the scason but Whitehaven had a string of bad results and finished low in the second

Another victim of failure is the Swinton chairman, lan Clift. They have been relegated and Clift said: "We've had a poor season, and we've been promoted and relegated four times in four seasons.

offer of a two-year deal.

Sydney yesterday, the Oldham director, Jim Knox, said: "He tic about he outcome."

lian Test forward Noel Cleal, expect decisions from both players next week,

shelved until he has met the board for talks.

● The Wigan centre. Dean Bell, successfully appealed against a sin-bin offence and the caution was expunsed from the records by the Rugby

Cup and Premiership in the final stages of the season.

Pat Cowdell, of Birmingham,

will attempt to win his second Lonsdale belt outright when he defends his British super-

"I don't consider that to be

 First division-bound Oldham Rugby League club has stepped up its move for Australian stand-off half player. Steve Ella, with the After talks with Ella in

wants a two-year contract and that's what we have offered him. There are other clubs interested hut we are optimis-Oldham, who have made a similar approach for Austra-

Oldham prop Neil Clawson's transfer request has been

League's disciplinary com-mittee in Leeds yesterday. Bell, the New Zealand international, is a key figure in Wigan's bid to win both the

SPORT IN BRIEF Title defence



he delends his british super-featherweight title against Floyd Havard, of Wales, in Aberavon oo May 18. Mark equalled

Milwaukee (Reuter) - The

Baltimore Orioles equalled the Major League Baseball record of 13 consecutive defeats to start a season by losing 9-5 to the Milwaukee Brewers on Tuesday night

Fulham lure

Fulham Rugby League Club has offered contracts to the Australians. Glen Haggath and Pat O'Docherty, who play for Ipswich in Brisbane.

lan Clift, the Swinton Rugby League Club chairman, re-

Stepping down

Greig is critical of points system

END COLUMN

By Andrew Longmore

As the counties embark on the first of their six four-day Britannic Assurance county championship matches today the format of the four day, from Surrey captain. Lin Greig. Greig is not against four-day cricket — in latt, just the opposite — but he is critical the way the three-day. cut-off at 100 overs, has simply been transferred to the four-day game. That, says. Greig, destroys the point of the whole exercise, which is to produce better Test cricketers.

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"We obviously have to shide by the decision taken by the TCCB, which is the counties." TCCB, which is the commes, but the idea of four-day cricket according to the Palmer Report was to improve the standard of first-class cricket in this country and provide a better stepping stone for our future Test players by making the country are stone for our future Test players by making the county game as near Tes match conditions as possible Greig, who has the full su of the Surrey committee, said.
"The current points structure for four-day cricket seems to nullify that completely

"Take David Capel for example Coming at No.5" with Northamptonshire 250 for three after 85 overs, he will still have to slog as soon as he gets in to ensure that his side get the 50 runs for the extra-batting bonus point inside the 100 over limit. Quite possibly, he will lose his wicket doing so. That is no preparation for a

"I could well have the same situation with Dayld Wand this season. He will probable.



get a chance, with Trevor Jesty released, to make his mark as a county cricketer bit best for the team. Sometimes I will have to instruct him to have a go. So be gets out, his average doesn't look so good at the end of the season. but people have forgotten the circumstances he was under."

The solution suggested by Greig and proposed by his county at a recent TGCB meeting for adoption during the current season is simply that the number of boons poiots should remain the same but that there should be no 100-over limit. In addition, counties should fall into litte with Test cricket by having a new ball after 85 and not 100 overs. "That would give a player like Capel the oppositenity of facing the new ball more often than he does now." Greig said.

Equally, says Greig that system would give more to-centive to bowlers to take wickets rather than defend. where states than detend.

In three-day cricket, when
the 100 overs comes near,
captains have to switch into a
one-day way of thinking. We
want to pick up bowling boints
points, so if the other side is going well, my best chance of getting them out is to tell my bowlers to keep it tight, forget about trying to take wickets and hope to pick up a couple by frustrating the bassmen into making mistakes.

"Quite often, I find myself giving instructions to my young batsmen or young spin-ners which I would rather not de, but you can win and lose championships on the odd bonus point, so I have no choice. The current system emphasizes the negative side of the game the whole time and I don't see that the introduc-tion of the four-day game is going to make any difference."

The TCCB's response to Surrey's proposal was that a different system for bonns-points in three and four-day cricket would confuse the pub-lic, but the Surrey captain does not think that a salid. argument.

"The people who come to watch championship cricket in midweek are real cricket lovers. They know what's going on. I can see that you need to have some uniformity in the game and don't want to be changing changing regulations the whole time, but the force of the argument is, in my opinion, so strong that it's vital that the Board look at the proposal again at the end of the season."

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So to encourage employers to opt out of Classic sprinting gives offering incentives that will effectively cut Kelly a timely boost Wevelgem (AFP) — Sean mark — from which some of Kelly won his first cycling the race favourites were classic for two years by taking the fiftieth Ghent to Wevelgem race yesterday. It was his first success since the Hill Samuel can help you take advantage of this and show you how to maintain your

was his first success since the Paris to Roubaix in 1986, and also a lucky return for the Irishman to the Belgian race that he has not taken part in for the last five years.

Kelly, aged 32, won in a sprint 100 metres from the finish line ahead of Gianni Bugno, of Italy, and Ron Kiefel, of the United States.

The leading pack pulled ahead at the punishing of the Tour of Spain. Bauer Kemmel slope, 27 kilometres into the 275-kilometre race. Ludo Peeters, who finished fourth, and Claude Criquielion (fifth) were the first away, but Kelly read the danger and followed suit with Kiefel and Bugno. The leaders built up a 30-

second lead over the next

group - Steve Bauer, of

Canada. Fons de Wolf and

Rudy Dhaenens, of Belgium,

and Socren Lilholt, of Den-same time of 4hr I5min 22sec.

Wevelgem classic was one of the final chances to get in on the winners' lists in the spring

classics, was left behind after the second climb up the Kemmel hill. Criquielion launched the final push for the finish, but Kelly surged 100 metres from the line and took the race for an important psychological

● CERIGNOLA: Stefano Allocchio, of Italy, triumphed in a sprint finish to take the second stage of the Tour of Apulia, in Italy, yesterday for his first stage win in three years (Reuter reports). Allochio nudged just clear of the pack to claim the 175kilometre stage in which more than 100 riders clocked the **Ethiopians** undecided Amsterdam (Reuter) - The decision by Ethiopia to boy-

coll the Olympic Games was still not final, Nigussie Roba, the national marathon coach. has announced. "Our Olympic committee has instructed us to prepare the athletes to compete and if everything can be worked out we will be there," he said.

On Sunday, Belayech Dinsamo, who will head the three-member Ethiopian marathon team if they appear in Seoul, shaved 22 seconds off the world best time in the Rotterdam Marathon, recording 2hr 6min 50sec.

Famous sons Damon Hill, son of the late

world champion, Graham Hill, and Gary Brabham, son of former triple world cham-pion, Jack Brabham, are opposed at Donnington Park on Sunday in a British Formula

Brown: entered for Epson

A rare treat Ken Brown, who plays most of his golf on the United States

tour, will make a rare appearance in Europe when he plays in the Epson Grand Prix Match-play championship at St Pierre from May 5 to 8.

Aiming high Birmingham Bullets, from the Carlsberg Basketball League, will play in the enlarged first

League next season.

signed yesterday after the club had been relegated for the second time in three seasons.